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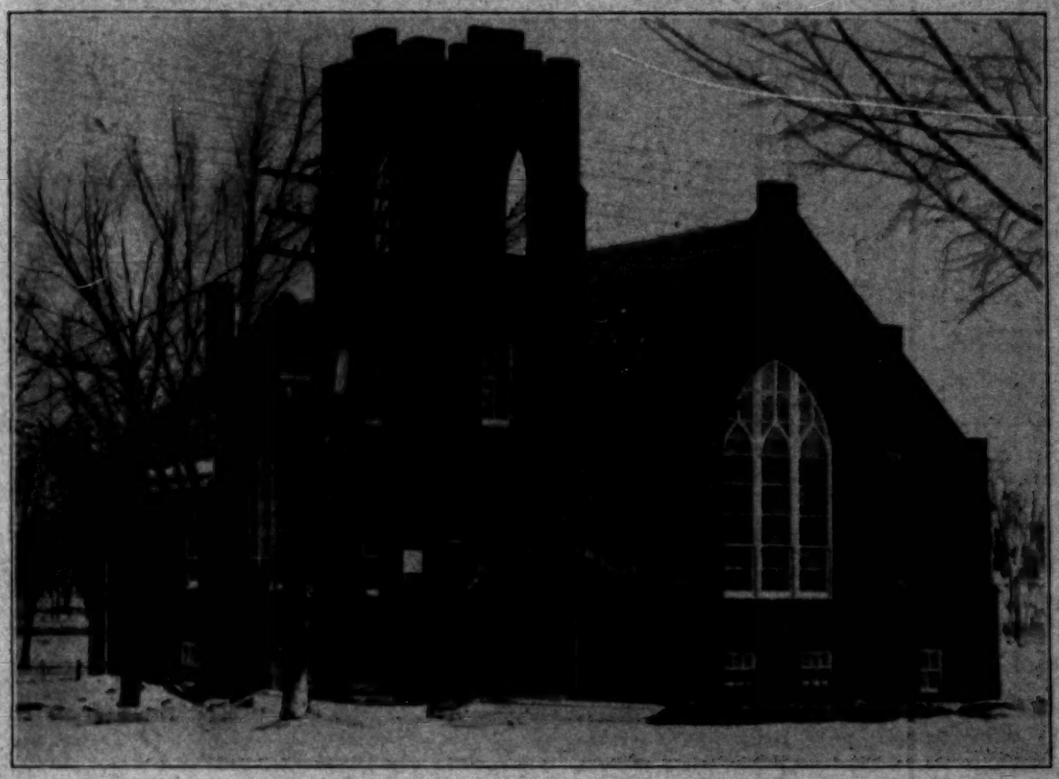


CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, ZUMBROTA, MINN.

The first services in Zumbrota were begun on October 5, 1905, by the Rev. R. A. Helms, who was pastor at Goodhue and Cannon Falls. The congregation was organized with sixteen members Nov. 27, 1905. Rev. Helms served the congregation until the early part of 1906. Rev. Willis Beck commenced the present pastorate Dec. 7, 1906. Services were continued in Anderson's Hall for several months, and then the United Norwegian chapel was used until 1909, at which time the Episcopal church was rented until the new church was completed. The above church is a Gothic brick structure, 38 x 76, fully equipped for general church work, with a full basement for graded Sunday-school purposes. Its cost was $12,000.00. It was dedicated May 18, 1913.

Rev. William Keller Frick D. D.

With sincere gratitude to God, Synod set apart an evening to celebrate the Fortieth Anniversary of the Ordination of one of the noblest and most aggressive spirits of the Lutheran Church in America.

Dr. Frick was born in Lancaster, Pa., on February 1, 1850.

Graduated at Muhlenberg College, 1870, and the Philadelphia Theological Seminary, 1873.

Ordained with the Rev. Revere F. Weidner, D.D., LL.D., in Emmanuel's Church, Pottstown, Pa., June 11, 1873.

First pastor of St. Paul's, Philadelphia, 1873-83.

Professor of English at Gustavus Adolphus College, Minnesota, and member of the Augustana Synod, 1883-89.

Founder and only pastor of Church of the Redeemer, Milwaukee, since 1889.

First Secretary of the English Synod of the Northwest 1891-94, and President 1894-1901.

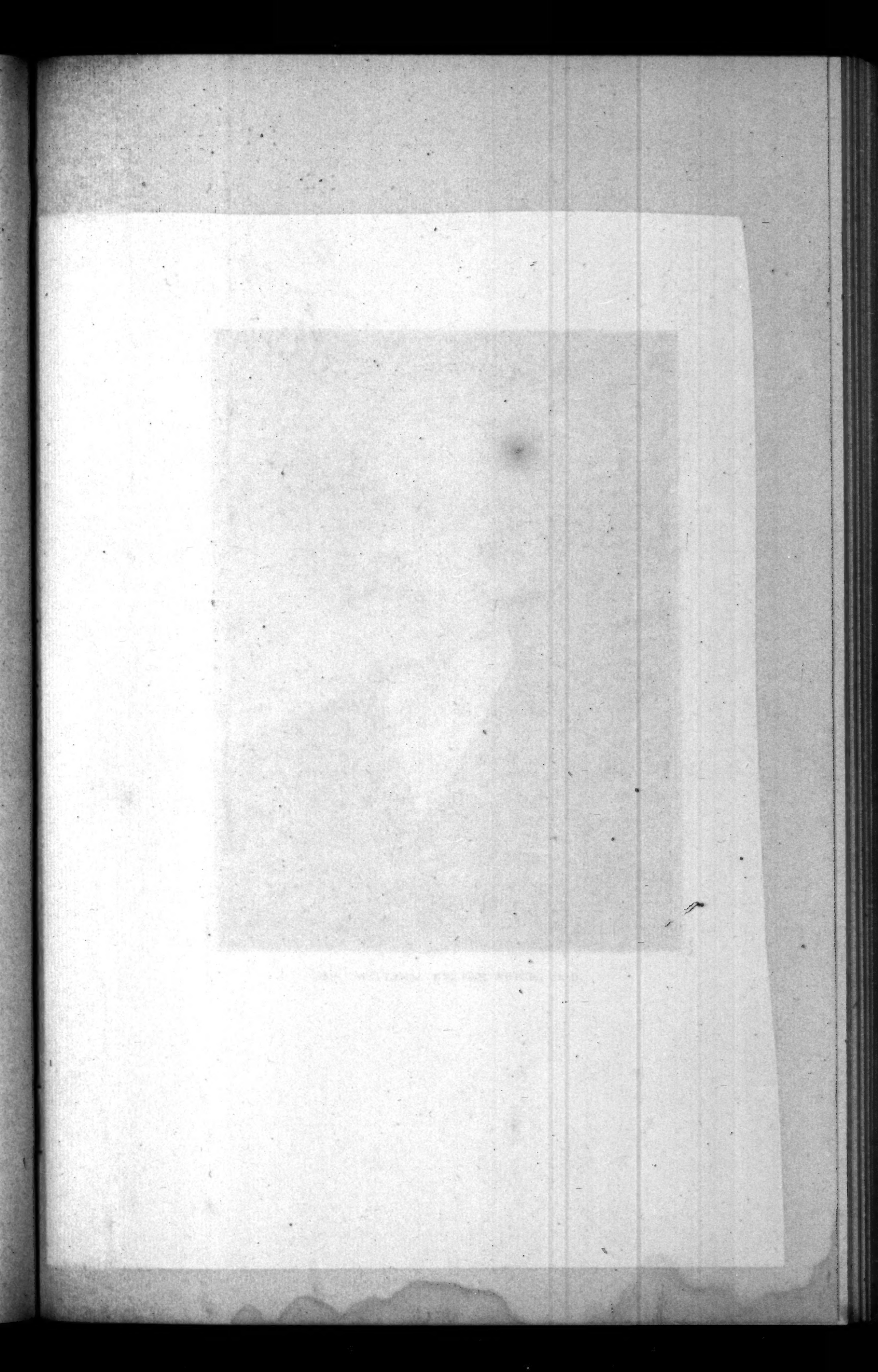
Organizing member of Board of the Chicago Theological Seminary 1891, Secretary since 1895 and Instructor, 1893-99.

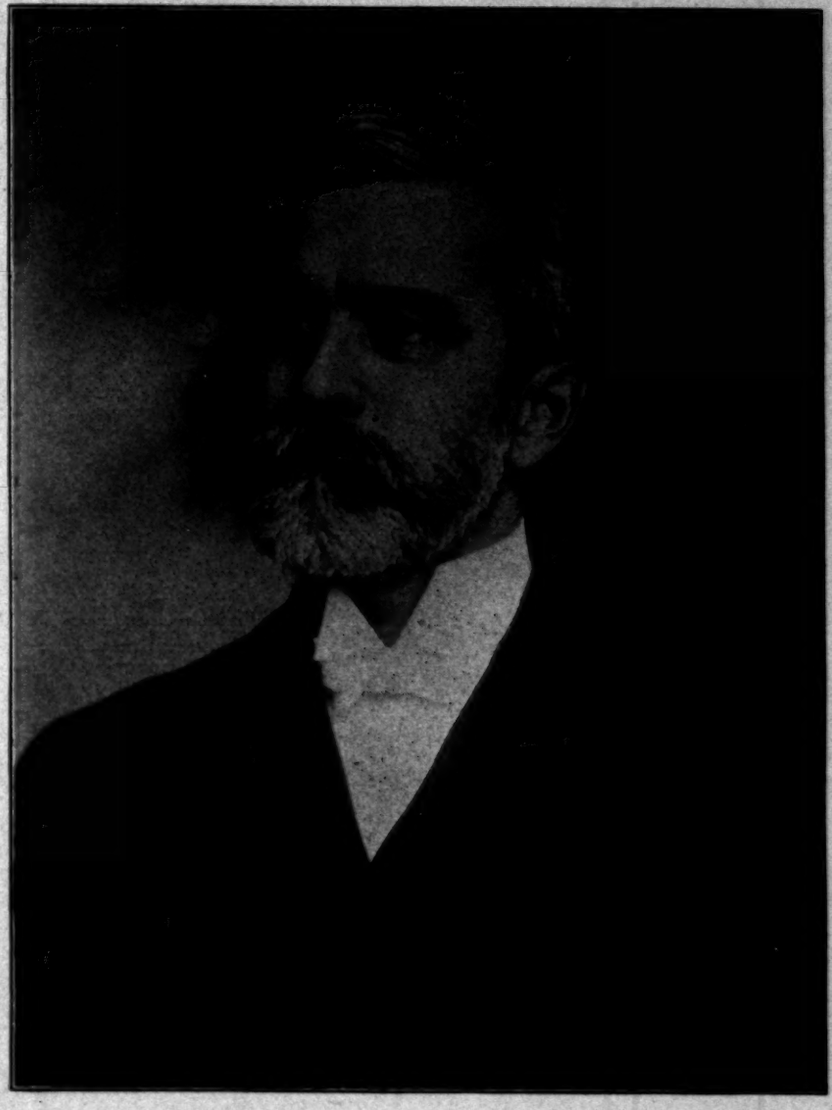
English Recording Secretary of the General Council, 1895-01, 1905—

Participated in the organization of the Luther League of America, served on its first Executive Committee and was the first President of the Wisconsin Luther League 1896-99.

Author of "Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, Patriarch of the American Lutheran Church", 1902, and correspondent for many religious periodicals.

A man of vision, and indefatigable energy, "the Bishop of Wisconsin".





REV. WILLIAM KELLER FRICK, D. D.

MINUTES

OF THE

Twenty-Third Annual Convention.

The Twenty-third Annual Convention of "The English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest" was held in the new and recently dedicated Church of the Redeemer, Zumbrota, Minn., the Rev. Willis Beck, Pastor, commencing on Tuesday morning, May 20, 1913.

The Program of Synod, including the recommendations of the Liturgical Committee and changes adopted during the Sessions of Synod, was as follows:

LITURGICAL PROGRAM.

TUESDAY, MAY 20.

10:00 a. m.—Hymns 248, 457, 271, 336.

Confessional Service conducted by Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, Secretary of Synod.

Chief Service beginning with Introit for Trinity Sunday (page 68).

Sermon by Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph.D., President of Synod.
Theme: "The Splendor of Our God", based on Isaiah 35:1-2.

Administration of the Holy Communion.

2:00 p. m.—Hymn 246.

Opening of Synod by the President (page 439).

Reports of President and Treasurer. Elections.

Committee Meetings.

8:00 p. m.—Vespers conducted by Rev. C. J. Rockey.

Hymn 266. Psalm 48.

Lessons, Romans 5:1-10; St. Matt. 16:13-20.

Hymns 270, 629. Collects Nos. 18 and 21.

Addresses:

"Why I am a Lutheran." Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

"Our Position Among Ourselves." Rev. W. K. Frick, D.D., Milwaukee, Wis.

"A Plea for India." Rev. H. E. Isaacson, D.D., Missionary in charge of Samulkot District, Rajahmundry, India.

Wednesday, May 21.

9:00 a. m.—Matins conducted by Rev. Wm. K. Frick, D.D.

Hymns 510, 316. Psalm 19.

Lesson, II Timothy 2:1-26, followed by an address.

Hymn 463. Collects Nos. 21 and 3.

Business.

2:00 p. m.—Service conducted by Rev. Wm. Eckert.

Hymn 312. Lesson, Psalm 119:9-24. Collects Nos. 15 and 50, or Free Prayer.

Business.

3:30 p. m.—Educational:

College—Rev. J. F. Fedders, Racine, Wis.

University—Rev. H. R. Gold, Madison.

Seminary—Rev. William Eckert, Maywood, Ill.

8:00 p. m.—Chief Service conducted by the Officers of Synod.

Hymns 625, 290, 252.

Lessons, II Timothy 1:7-14; St. Luke 10:1-16.

Sermon by the Rev. George H. Trabert, D.D.

Ordination Service (page 422) with the administration of the Lord's Supper.

Thursday, May 22.

9:00 a. m.—Matin Service conducted by Rev. John Sander, L.H.D.

Hymns 257, 512. Psalm 77.

Lesson, II Timothy 4:1-22, followed by an address.

Hymn 461. Collects Nos. 62 and 59.

Business.

2:00 p. m.—Service conducted by Rev. Wm. H. Gable.

Hymn 209.

Lesson, St. John 3:1-16. Collects Nos. 51 and 61, or Free Prayer.

Business.

3:30 p. m.—Doctrinal:

"Regeneration and Conversion in Lutheran and Reformed Churches." Rev. A. J. Holl, Milwaukee, Wis.

"Death and What Follows." Rev. William C. Stump, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

"Does the Bible Teach the Resurrection of the Body?" Rev. E. O. Hoffmeister, Janesville, Wis.

8:00 p. m.—The fortieth anniversary service of the ordination of the Rev. William K. Frick, D.D.

Vesper Service conducted by the Rev. Geo. H. Schnur.

Hymn 515. Psalm 145. Lessons, Joshua 4:1-9; 19-24.

Addresses:

"Forty Years." Rev. George H. Trabert, D.D.
"Synod's Past." Rev. A. J. D. Haupt, D.D.
"The Life of a Minister." Rev. Jas. F. Beates.
"Dr. Frick's Work in Wisconsin." Rev. H. K. Gebhart.
"Dr. Frick as a Fellow-Professor." Dr. J. Sander.
"Secretary William K. Frick." Rev. L. W. Steckel.
"Milwaukee Notes as a Neighbor." Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht.

Address by Rev. Dr. Frick.

Closing Vesper Service. Hymns 284, 304. Collects Nos. 10, 13.

Benediction, Rev. William K. Frick, D.D.

Friday, May 23.

9:00 a. m.—Matins conducted by Rev. A. J. D. Haupt, D.D.

Hymns 301, 631. Psalm 91.

Lesson, St. Luke 10:25-37, followed by an address.

Hymn 296. Collects Nos. 69 and 70.

Business.

2:00 p. m.—Service conducted by Rev. J. S. Albert.

Hymn 299. Lesson, Isaiah 49:1-13. Collects Nos. 24 and 63.

Paper:

"Shall Lutheran Pastors and Congregations Join the Federation of Churches?" Rev. F. E. Cooper, Milwaukee, Wis.

Hymn 274.

Order for closing of Synod (page 441).

FIRST SESSION.

Tuesday, May 20, 1913, 2:00 p. m.

After the singing of Hymn 246, "Come, Holy Spirit, in Love", the President of Synod formally opened the Convention for the transaction of business according to the usual order.

The Roll of ministers was called. The Credential Committee at this and later sessions reported credentials from thirty-one lay delegates. Three candidates were ordained at a later service, making the Roll of Synod as follows:

ROLL OF SYNOD.

	MINISTERS	Ordained	Entered Synod	LAY DELEGATES	PARISHES
1	G. H. Trabert, D. D.	1870	1898	H. J. Bussau**	Salem.....Minneapolis, Minn.
2	W. K. Frick, D. D.	1873	1891	Geo. W. Rapps*	Redeemer ....Milwaukee, Wis.
3	J. Sander, L. H. D.	1880	1910	N. J. Smith**	Trinity.....Lindstrom, Minn.
4	A. J. D. Haupt, D. D.	1884	1891 1910	Chas. Gorder	Salem.....Albert Lea, Minn.
5	James F. Beates	1884	1894 1908	P. Arthur F. Smith	Trinity.....St. Paul, Minn.
6	Geo. H. Schnur	1886	1907	Otto Monson	Reformation..St. Paul, Minn.
7	H. K. Gebhart	1889	1895	Theo. G. Martin***	Grace.....Kenosha, Wis.
8	W. F. Bacher*	1889	1908	Dr. C. C. Lipp	Reformation...St. Paul, Minn.
9	F. W. Klingensmith*	1894	1909		Redeemer...Livingston, Mont.
10	C. P. Weiskotten	1894	1911	Robert Koplin	St. Paul's.....Waterloo, Wis.
11	A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D.	1896	1905	E. E. Erickson**	St. John's..Minneapolis, Minn.
12	W. S. Ulrich	1899	1908	L. M. Ellefsen**	St. Mark's.....Fargo, N. D.
13	F. E Cooper	1899	1912	W. C. Guager	Lake Park....Milwaukee, Wis.
14	A. C. Peterson	1900	1900		.....Without Charge
15	T. F. Weiskotten*	1900	1909	G. R. Weber	Advent.....Cedarburg, Wis.
16	P. E. Baisler	1901	1901	Jas. P. Beasom*	First English..Winnipeg, Man.
17	Wm. Eckert	1901	1905		Gen'l Sec'y Chi. Seminary.
18	L. F. Gruber	1901	1908	Harry Isaacson***	St. Mark's..Minneapolis, Minn.
19	Willis Beck	1902	1905	Anton Johnson	Goodhue Par.,Zumbrota Minn.
20	W. F. Rex	1902	1910		Atonement.....Racine, Wis.
21	P. W. Roth*	1903	1912		Deac. M. H. & Hos., Milw. Wis.
22	W. P. Christy*	1904	1904	Chas. Fleischer	Holy Trinity..La Crosse, Wis.
23	L. W Steckel	1904	1909	Jno. Boldt	First English. Platteville, Wis.
24	W. H. Gable	1905	1905	Otto E Rydell****	Holy Trinity....Superior, Wis.
25	G. Keller Rubrecht	1905	1905	Geo. Hemsing	Epiphany.....Milwaukee, Wis.
26	H. R. Gold**	1907	1907	Wm. F Pierstorff***...	Madison-Middleton Par. Wis.
27	L. B Deck	1908	1908		Field Missionary.
28	A. J. Holl	1908	1911	Jno. F Pergande	Reformation..Milwaukee, Wis.
29	E. O. Hoffmeister	1910	1911	Adolph Anderson	St. Peter's.... Janesville, Wis.
30	W. C. Stump	1910	1912		St. John's.....Oshkosh, Wis.
31	C. J. Rockey	1911	1911	J. J. Burke	Redeemer..Minneapolis, Minn.
32	J. F. Fedders	1911	1912	C. C. Olsen	Holy Communion.Racine, Wis.
33	Carl C. Roth	1913	1913	H. A. Swanson	St. Paul's....Red Wing, Minn.
34	Walter Krumwiede	1913	1913	Frank C. Bunn*	Atonement.....Beloit. Wis.
35	Jno. S Albert	1913	1913	August Olson..*	Holy Trinity, Minnplis, Minn.
36				Ernst E. Cowdrey***...	Holy Commun, Minplis, Minn.
37				Wm. Zickert	Holy Trinity....Marshall, Wis.
38					St. Paul's.....Neenah, Wis.
39				A. A. Miller*	St. John's.....Duluth, Minn.
40					Holy Trinity.....Afton. Wis.

* Excused from all sessions
** Excused Friday.
*** Excused Thursday and Friday.
**** Excused all sessions but Thursday.

THE ROLL SHOWS
35 Ministers; 28 present.
31 Lay Del.; 20 present.
38 Congregations.

Visiting Ministers.

During this Convention the following visiting ministers were welcomed and accorded the privileges of the floor:

Rev. Luther Hogshead, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. H. E. Isaacson, D.D., Samulkot, India.
Rev. J. Teleen, D.D., Berwyn, Ill.

The hours for closing the sessions were fixed for 12 noon and 5 p. m.

The President presented his official report as follows:

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

My Dear Brethren in Christ:

We are again assembled for an annual meeting of the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest. The years roll by like rapidly turning wheels on an engine. We never realize the changes till they are in the past.

We are, however, certain that the past year has been a very important one to our dear Lutheran Church at large, and to our beloved Synod in particular. A brief resume and a few suggestions and recommendations will be all the scope of this report can cover.

We are assembled at Zumbrota, Goodhue County, Minn. The city itself bears evidence of wealth and thrift. The beautiful homes, handsome office buildings, wide and well kept streets go to show that the early settlers came with the idea of work and stay. The farm district around in Goodhue County is of the very best in the state. The soil is extremely fertile, the topography rolling enough to save the tiller from losses by flood and still easy enough to cultivate. The population is of the very best.

However, we are glad to note that the good people of Goodhue County are not only industrious and of sound judgment when it concerns matters of the farm and business but also in religious and educational affairs. The churches and schools seen all around bear glorious and eloquent tribute to this spirit of the people. We are assembled in a new and magnificent, well-planned and erected church building. It stands as a beautiful monument to the faith and perseverance of our good pastor, the Rev. Willis Beck, and his faithful flock. We congratulate the Church of the Redeemer, and express the wish and prayer that it may stand as a fruit bearing tree for a blessing to generations yet unborn.

Visitations.

One of the many duties of your President is to visit the congregations and render assistance and encouragement. The past year has been a very busy one in this respect. Official visits have been made as follows:

July 8-9, Neenah, Wis. Preached and met with the Council of the Church.

July 14, together with the Rev. J. F. Beates, President of Central Conference, met with Council of N. St. Paul-Stacy parish and adjusted differences existing.

August 18, Zumbrota, Minn. Preached and baptized George Willis, infant son of the Rev. and Mrs. Willis Beck.

Oct. 10-11. Eastern Conference, Oshkosh, Wis.

Oct. 17, Duluth, Minn. Together with the Rev. Luther Hogshead, Western District Superintendent of Home Missions, held conference with pastor and Council of St. John's church.

Oct. 23. N. St. Paul.

Nov. 10-11. Board Meeting, Philadelphia, Pa. Presented claims of Synod and was gratified by action of Board in granting us a Field Missionary.

Nov. 21-22. Winnipeg, Man. Preached. Investigated the field.

Dec. 15, N. St. Paul. Rev. Beates and President of Synod met with Pastor-Council.

Dec. 16. Visited Duluth again. West End Mission matters adjusted.

January 15, 1913, Stacy, Minn. Address.

Feb. 10. Chicago Theological Seminary. Interviewed students for vacant fields. Went over the Mission situation with the Rev. Luther Hogshead.

Feb. 11. Janesville, Wis. Attended the tenth anniversary of St. Peter's congregation.

Feb. 26. Oshkosh, Wis. Preached.

Feb. 27-28. Milwaukee, Wis. Meeting of Executive Committee and Mission Board of Synod. Investigated under the direction of the brethren various important prospective mission districts.

Feb. 28. Neenah, Wis. Preached. Met with congregation at special congregational meeting, when and where it was decided that the newly formed congregation should endeavor to raise funds sufficient to warrant the calling of a permanent pastor. This has been done. With a small aid from the Mission Board the congregation has called the Rev. A. J. Sommer, of Otterbein, Ind.

March 26. Stacy, Minn. Addressed Ladies' Aid. Paid $30 on debt to Synod.

Feb. 23. Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, Minn. The resignation of the Rev. L. B. Deck was read by Pastor Deck and accepted reluctantly by the congregation At the same meeting Student J. S. Albert, of Chicago Theological Seminary, was called.

April 15, Red Wing. Special congregational meeting. Student Carl C. Roth, of Chicago Theological Seminary, called.

April 17. N. St. Paul. Conference with members of the Church Council.

April 29-30. Maywood, Ill. Commencement exercises. Spoke briefly at Alumni banquet.

May 11-15. Attended the meeting of the Home Mission Board, at

Philadelphia. Addressed the Home Mission forces of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania on the 14th.

May 18-19. Consecration of the Church of the Redeemer, Zumbrota, Minnesota.

Besides these visits your President has made a number which are of lesser importance. As to visiting the Pastors and keeping a general oversight can report a visit since last meeting of Synod in the homes of twenty-four of our thirty-five active pastors.

From the hand of death our good Lord has mercifully spared us; but the shadow of sickness has passed over the Reverends C. J. Rockey, Wm. C. Stump, Wm. F. Bacher, F. E. Cooper, and still hovers over Mrs. William P. Christy. May we pray for her speedy recovery.

Building Activities.

First Ev. Luth. Church, Winnipeg, Man., is making rapid progress. When I spoke there Nov. 21, 1912, the basement was practically finished and the work on main auditorium was carried on with vigor. It will be completed in a few months. Student Austin A. Zink, of Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia, supplies at Elmwood, a suburb of Winnipeg.

Winnipeg itself is a wonderful city. As an island in the south seas is born in a night so Winnipeg has sprung up all at once on the plains of Manitoba, nestled in by the winding river, it holds a central and distributing position for an inland empire that touches Hudson's Bay in the northeast, Prince Rupert in the northwest, Peace River Valley in the north and the Pacific on the west. It is the last Great West of North America, with land enough for 80,000,000 people. Rev. F. E. Baisler is our sole missionary in this Empire, where Lutherans are very strong in number and influence.

Lake Park Church, Milwaukee, Rev. F. E. Cooper pastor, is doing excellent work. Located in the most exclusive district of the city its building stands as a sample of churchly taste and beauty in architecture and general appointments. It was necessary to erect a building in harmony with the homes and other churches of the district. It is a move in the right direction. The new church was occupied for the first time on Easter Sunday. Will be dedicated June 8. Dr. Cooper, father of the pastor, will preach the sermon, and Dr. Frick is to perform the act of concecration. It is completely furnished, including chancel furniture, altar brasses and paraments, and a Wangerin-Weickhardt two manual pipe organ. Total cost, $40,000.

Livingston, Mon., is forging ahead under the able leadership and indomitable will of the Rev. F. W. Klingensmith. This is the only English Lutheran mission we have in this magnificent state. It is erecting a $15,000 church, which forms a very beautiful beginning; and we hope soon to have churches planted in Butte, Great Falls and Missoula. The climate and wonderful fertility of soil makes Montana a garden for the agriculturist and rancher. By this time Brother Klingensmith and flock are holding services in the basement of new church.

Reformation, St. Paul, has made an excellent beginning. The basement walls are already up and the superstructure is rising fast. June

1 the corner stone will be laid. Sermon will be preached by Dr. A. J. D. Haupt, founder of English Lutheranism in St. Paul.

St. John's, Oshkosh, has selected an architect and instructed him to prepare plans for a $15,000 to $20,000 church. The congregation has already subscribed liberally to the building fund.

Besides these building activities many of our congregations have improved their property. For example, St. Marks, Fargo, has let a contract for a $3,500.00 electric pneumatic pipe organ to the Hall Organ Co., New Haven, Conn.

Home Mission Campaign.

Many of our churches held special services during Home Mission Week last November. Others observed the same by union services. Some pastors preached Sunday evening on the pamphlet for the day. Others read the pamphlet to the congregation. The result cannot be definitely known, but it seems reasonable that such a campaign of education should be fruitful of much good.

The Treasurer of the Home Mission Board, E. Aug. Miller, Esq., reported at meeting held last week that the Board is without debt and that its general income for the year was greater than ever before. This was thought to be the result, in a great measure, of the November campaign. Pamphleteering is a paying proposition in church work. The Board has decided to follow up this line of work again next November.

Installations.

June 30, 1912. Installed Rev. G. H. Rapps, N. St. Paul and Stacy. Assisted by the Revs. J. F. Beates, President of Central Conference, Luther B. Deck and W. F. Bacher. On the same day Dr. J. Sander installed Rev. Isaiah Whitman in St. Paul's congregation, Red Wing.

December 15, 1912, Rev. J. F. Fedders was installed by Dr. W. K. Frick in Holy Communion, Racine, Wis.

Anniversaries.

Holy Trinity, St. Paul.—Nov. 3, 1912, Holy Trinity, St. Paul, Rev. J. F. Beates, pastor, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its dedication. Dr. Haupt, the founder, preached in the morning. President of Synod in the evening. The pastor gave the historical address.

St. Peter's, Janesville, Wis.—On Feb. 9-11, the tenth anniversary of the founding of congregation took place. Addresses by Rev. A. C. Anda, founder of congregation; Rev. C. P. Christy, first pastor; Dr. W. K. Frick; Rev. P. H. Roth and the President of Synod.

Thirtieth Anniversary of English Lutheranism in the Northwest.

Thirty years ago Dr. G. H. Trabert, who had just arrived from the East, met with a few men at the home of Mr. S. E. Sanborn on 14th Avenue, near Washington, and took first steps leading to an or-

ganization, the chief result of which is our Synod as it is to-day. It is a happy coincidence that, in the providence of God, we as a Synod meet on the very day, after thirty years of pioneering, and still have the original pioneer, the first English Lutheran Missionary, with us. We are also happy to have with us Dr. Haupt, co-laborer of Dr. Trabert, and who justly can be called the founder of English Lutheranism in St. Paul.

Dr. Frick's Anniversary.

Anniversaries are numerous in these days. But when a man has carried the burden and heat of the day, as a minister of Christ, forty years, he deserves recognition. No one has done more for Lutheranism in Wisconsin than Dr. Frick. His watchful eye and sympathetic heart are felt in all parts of the state. He is an apostle of Peace, Bishop of Wisconsin, and promoter of the General Council.

Pastoral Changes.

N. St. Paul—Stacy Parish.—On Dec. 15, I received notice of the resignation of the Rev. G. H. Rapps, who left early in January and accepted a call to East Ohio Synod. A letter was granted him April 3, 1913.

St. John's, Duluth.—On Dec. 16 I was informed of Rev. J. E. Shewells's resignation. He also entered the East Ohio Synod. A letter was granted him March 13, 1913.

St. Paul's, Red Wing.—Early in January I was notified to the effect that Rev. Whitman had resigned to accept a call to the English Luth. Church, of Versailles, Ind. He preached his farewell sermon April 27. A letter was granted him to the District Synod of Ohio, April 25, 1913.

Holy Trinity, Minneapolis.—On February 23, Rev. Luther B. Deck, after four years faithful and fruitful service, resigned to undertake more comprehensive labors as Field Missionary for the Synod of the Northwest, to which office he had been called by the Home Mission Board. We rejoice over the fact that the Board has finally granted us a Field Missionary and that he is a man well fitted for the office. He has studied the Western situation at close range and has grasped the Western spirit of opportunity, progress and results.

Atonement, Beloit, Wis.—In April last the Rev. Paul H. Roth resigned in order to accept a call to the English Luth. Church of Maywood, Ill. A letter to the Chicago Synod was granted him April 25, 1913.

Holy Communion, Racine, Wis.—July 27 Rev. Wm. Eckert resigned Holy Communion to accept the office of General Secretary to the Chicago Theological Seminary. Holy Communion has greatly prospered during the excellent services of Rev. Eckert, and the seminary has gained a strong man.

Holy Trinity, Madison, Wis.—Rev. J. F. Fedders resigned as associate pastor to accept call to Holy Communion, Racine.

Advent, Cedarburg, Wis.—Notice of Rev. T. F. Weiskotten's resignation received March 25th. Resignation not accepted by either the congregation or Mission Board.

We have sustained many losses, but are glad to report several strong gains. The Revs. L. B. Deck, Wm. Eckert and J. F. Fedders remain in Synod. From the Chicago Seminary we receive for Atonement, Beloit, Mr. Walter Krumwiede; for Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, Mr. John S. Albert; for St. Paul's, Red Wing, Mr. Carl C. Roth. All three ask for ordination by Synod at this convention.

Thus all our vacancies are filled with the exception of N. St. Paul-Stacy Parish—and St. John's, Duluth. Dr. John Lenker supplies Stacy; Student Rex, of Wittenburg, Duluth, and Field Missionary Deck and Rev. J. F. Beates, President of Central Conference, N. St. Paul.

Consecration Service.

On Trinity Sunday, May 18th, 1913, the Church of the Redeemer, of Zumbrota, was dedicated with great rejoicing. In the service of consecration the pastor, Rev. Willis Beck, was assisted by the President of Synod and the President of the Central Conference. At the morning hour the President of Synod preached the sermon, and the President of Conference added a few congratulatory remarks. At 3 p. m. the superintendent of the Goodhue County schools, Prof. C. C. Swain, and Mr. John B. Rockne, a student of the United Norwegian Lutheran Seminary of St. Paul, addressed the people. In the evening Rev. J. F. Beates and Rev. G. S. Froiland, pastor of the United Norwegian Lutheran church, Zumbrota, preached. All the services were well attended, there being at the three services at least fourteen hundred people. The receipts for the day amounted to $250.00. The services were continued Monday evening, when the Revs. A. J. D. Haupt, D.D., and L. B. Deck preached.

Men for the Ministry.

A Committee on Students for the Ministry was appointed at the last meeting of Synod. This committee has made recommendations to the various pastors during the year. We hope these recommendations have been followed out by the ministry of Synod. However, the all-important question remains: How to get more men for the Ministry? In answer to this we can say that even more work must be done by the individual pastors than has been done in the past. The promising young men must be followed up and not allowed to drift. But even when we all have done our very best we fall miserably short of the result looked for. There are some reasons entirely outside the control of the individual pastor; one is the

Lack of Preparatory Schools.

We have our magnificent Chicago Theological Seminary, of which we are all justly proud. I have twice, since Synod met last, visited this school of the Prophets, and the oftener I see it the more I learn

to know what a blessed treasure it is to our Lutheran Church and our Synod in particular. It is sad, however, to see such buildings and grounds used only for a Seminary. Our Synod must sooner or later establish a preparatory school—Academy and College—and where would be a more suitable and central place than Maywood, in connection with the Seminary? We need such an institution; in fact, we must have one. We must educate our own men for our important Western fields. It will not do for us, in the long run, to draw on the colleges of other Synods. They need their own men, and we must train ours. Our tremendous fields, great and numerous opportunities, demand men with the widest vision and true Western spirit. It seems to me possible that the District Synod of Ohio, Chicago Synod, and Synod of the Northwest, could establish and maintain jointly such an institution in connection with the Seminary, should the Seminary Board permit. In fact, the Seminary and College ought to be under the same management and control. Such an institution in a central place like Chicago would be of immense service to the Church; in fact it would be the center, the very heart of our religious activities in the great middle West. I, therefore, recommend that Synod look into the possibility of realizing such a plan.

Another reason why so many prefer other professions to the ministry I find in the existing condition of an

Underpaid Ministry.

There we stand before the cold facts of to-day. The ministry is no longer supported by a halo around its head. The minister is only a cog in the great wheel of Christian civilization. He must live like others; pay his bills, travel, entertain, dress, attend multitudinous conventions and social functions; partake, individually and socially, in surprises, anniversaries, festivals, charities, etc. He must to-day pay his dentist, doctor and railroad fare. His former garden of perquisite-roses has lost its perfume and fertility because of the general high cost of living. These matters are constantly noticed by the young men who think of a profession.

While it is no valid reason against entering the ministry, it is a reason nevertheless. The restlessness of the ministry to a great extent finds its roots in this soil. To improve in this respect—which I deem imperative,—I would recommend, and most sincerely and prayerfully, that in the Synod of the Northwest the minimum yearly salary be $1,500.00 and that the large and better established congregation pay $2,500.00. That amount to-day being only a living wage for a professional man who has spent a decade in higher institutions of learning preparing himself for the office. And let no congregation, however intelligent, which pays less think it pays "all he is worth", rather that it accepts charity to the amount of the difference. Hundreds of ministers, for financial reasons alone, leave yearly the pastoral office and enter more lucrative positions. the older they get the nearer draws the apparition of Oslerism which is more dreaded in this profession than in any other. With one thousand five hundred

empty pulpits in the Lutheran Church of the United States to-day staring us in the face as forsaken guns captured by the enemy; with few men entering the ministry and many leaving, unable longer to support themselves on the given salary, we call on our good people who have love for the cause of Zion, to come to her defense, that the Church may live and do gloriously the labors assigned her by the Lord Jesus Christ. Let us train our own men for the difficult but strategic positions of the Middle West, and let us pay them a wage not as low as we can get them but as high as demanded by the circumstances and the times.

Then, having adjusted the Synodical School and salary question, our Synod will become a minister-producer and not only, as in the past, a consumer.

State of the Churches.

It is impossible to give a complete report of the condition of all our churches. Nothing of unusual importance has happened in most of our congregations. These we pass by. A few words concerning the rest may be in place.

Redeemer, Milwaukee, is looking forward to the day when they will have their new building and will then be able to push forward as never before the activities of the church. This year being the fortieth anniversary of the ordination of their pastor, Dr. Frick, the congregation rejoices together with his numerous friends all over the Synod of the Northwest.

Trinity, Lindstrom, since last meeting of Synod has paid a thousand dollars on the debt of the property. Repairs on the church to the amount of $330.00 have been made. Contracts have been let for the installation of a new light plant and a new heating plant. The two will cost about $400.00.

Salem, Albert Lea, reports all apportionments paid in full. A new furnace installed, the duplex envelope system adopted.

Holy Trinity, St. Paul, reduced its debt by $275.00. Raised all its apportionment and some more; paid over $500.00 in benevolence. Choir was vested with evident satisfaction and the improvement in service at Christmas time.

St. Paul's, Waterloo, reports a reduction of the church debt down to $2,000.00. This spring has concreted the basement and will soon have it complete for Bible school purposes. The pastor, Rev. C. P. Weiskotten, has organized a congregation at Marshall, Wis. At the first service attendance of forty is reported, and at the second the number had doubled. It received the name, Holy Trinity English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Marshall, Wis., and applies at this meeting of Synod for membership.

St. Mark's, Fargo, reports a year of progress, $1,500.00 having been paid on her debt and a thousand dollars will be paid by Oct. 17th. She has increased her pastor's salary $200.00 per year, and has placed a contract with the Hall Organ Co., New Haven, Conn., for a $3,500.00 electric pneumatic pipe organ, for the payment of which the pastor

secured one-half from Andrew Carnegie and the other half from eight members of St. Mark's.

Holy Communion, Racine. Rev. J. F. Fedders took charge last November. A splendid spirit of co-operation between pastor and people is manifest. A "white elephant" campaign is in progress for $3,500.00 and the full amount is practically assured. Sunday school is the largest in the city; added fifty new members recently. On Whitsunday thirty-eight new members, including 25 catechumens, were added. On 7th and 8th of next November will celebrate its fifteenth anniversary. Both former pastors, Rev. G. Franklin Gehr, and Rev. William Eckert, will be invited.

Atonement, Racine, has made splendid progress during the year, and added forty-two to its net strength. On May 11th observed the fourth anniversary of the founding of the congregation, Dr. G. H. Gerberding preaching the sermon. Have reduced the indebtedness by $600.00. Sunday school enrolls three hundred. Societies all flourishing.

Holy Trinity, La Crosse, is served temporarily by student F. R. Webber, in the absence of the pastor. Mr. Webber is making a thorough canvass, looking up members and keeping up the work as well as he can until the return of the pastor, Rev. Christy.

First English, Platteville. At present the outlook is bright. The extra lot possessed by the congregation was sold last winter at a good profit and the money used to pay on indebtedness, the balance of which will be raised in a short time.

Holy Trinity, Superior, has made $125.00 improvement on church property. The pastor has been doing work at Allouez, at which place he has an enrollment of twenty-nine in the Sunday school. Services have been held during the week at various homes ever since last January. The average attendance at these meetings has been sixteen, including women and children.

Epiphany, Milwaukee, reports a year of decided growth in many respects. Whitsunday accessions 53 (not included in parochial report) making a hundred and ten since last fall. A men's choir of 25 voices has been organized. One of the most active and faithful workers has offered herself to the Board to go to India as Foreign Missionary. She will spend a year in Philadelphia at the Mary J. Drexel Mo herhouse and sail for India next year.

Madison-Middleton Parish has paid about its entire apportionment and a thousand dollars on the mortgage indebtedness. Rev. J. F. Fedders, who was called Sept. 1, 1911, to assist in this field left October 31, 1912, to accept Holy Communion, Racine.

St. John's, Oshkosh, is self-supporting since the first of May, having voluntarily passed off from the books of the Board. The attendance at Sunday school and morning services during winter and spring months has been by far the best in the history of the church.

Holy Trinity, Minneapolis. Gifts that had been given to the congregation at various times during the service of Rev. L. B. Deck, were consecrated at the service of April 27th. The gifts consisted

of a baptismal font, hymn board, communion service, altar vestments, lectern, baptismal bowl, altar vases, pulpit chairs, bible and hymn books. Student, J. S. Albert, who has accepted a call, preached his initial sermon on May 4th. A reception to Mr. Albert was held May 14.

Redeemer, Minneapolis, has enjoyed a good increase in membership, has repaired the heating plant, installed an oak baptismal font, has paid $100 on the church debt and has voluntarily reduced by $100 the appropriation of the Mission Board. This congregation entertained the Central Conference in October.

St. Mark's Minneapolis, purchased a Kranach & Bach parlor grand piano and considerably reduced the church debt in connection with its tenth anniversary.

And now may we experience the blessings of Almighty God. May He be with us in our deliberations and guide us in the truth. And may we all be able to say with the Psalmist: "But I have trusted in Thy mercy: My heart shall rejoice in Thy salvation. I will sing unto the Lord: because He hath dealt bountifully with me."

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY F. ELMQUIST,
President.

ZUMBROTA, MINN., May 20, 1913.

The report was received and referred to the Committee of President's Report.

In the absence of Mr. J. K. Jensen, the Rev. Wm. Eckert presented the

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

In account with the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

MAY 1, 1912, TO MAY 1, 1913.

RECEIPTS.

Advent, Cedarburg	$ 100.30
Atonement, Beloit	8.66
Atonement, Racine	107.28
Epiphany, Milwaukee	503.32
First, Cannon Falls	16.00
First, Middleton	8.90
First, Platteville	107.16
First, Winnipeg	85.35
Grace, Kenosha	127.19
Holy Communion, Minneapolis	65.67
Holy Communion, Racine	545.35
Holy Trinity, Afton	2.15
Holy Trinity, La Crosse	49.03
Holy Trinity, Madison	119.93

Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	241.33
Holy Trinity, St. Paul	411.85
Holy Trinity, Superior	71.28
Lake Park, Milwaukee	57.35
Redeemer, Livingston	75.65
Redeemer, Milwaukee	638.92
Redeemer, Minneapolis	164.71
Redeemer, Zumbrota	9.77
Reformation, Milwaukee	670.85
Reformation, St. Paul	648.63
Salem, Albert Lea	113.80
Salem, Minneapolis	519.26
St. John's, Duluth	7.50
St. John's, Minneapolis	496.14
St. John's, Oshkosh	150.40
St. John's, Stacy	34.48
St. Luke's, Goodhue	45.90
St. Mark's, Fargo	290.02
St. Mark's, Minneapolis	345.28
St. Mark's, North St. Paul	8.33
St. Paul's, Red Wing	512.27
St. Paul's, Waterloo	63.20
St. Peter's, Janesville	247.03
Trinity, Lindstrom	75.65
Deaconess Motherhouse Cong., Milwaukee	113.45
Woman's Home and Foreign Miss. Soc., Cent. Conference	14.20
From St. John's, Stacy payments on note	55.00
Balance 1912, Current Expense Fund	42.23
Balance 1912, Delegates' Traveling Expense Fund	109.75
Balance 1912, Ministerial Education Fund	226.67
	$8,307.21

DISBURSEMENTS.

Current Expenses	$ 395.51
Delegates' Traveling Expenses	187.39
Chicago Theological Seminary	1,920.50
General Council Home Missions	2,155.24
General Council Church Extension	678.11
General Council Foreign Missions	1,040.28
General Council Porto Rico Missions	416.18
General Council Slav Missions	150.95
General Council University Students' Work	477.97
German Home Missions	29.40
Jewish Mission	59.70
Orphans, Zelienople	6.00
Talitha Kumi School, Jerusalem	5.00
Rev. J. Teleen, for Porto Rico	25.00
Rev. W. J. Dressler, for Ohio flood sufferers	29.62
To M. W. & M. W. Orphan's Fund for various congregations	65.29

Balance Current Expense Fund	17.16
Balance Delegates' Traveling Expense Fund	235.46
Balance Ministerial Education Fund	357.45
Balance Notes Receivable	55.00
	$8,307.21

Detailed Statement Synodical Delegates' Traveling Expenses.

RECEIPTS.

Old Balance	$109.75
Epiphany, Milwaukee	17.82
First, Cannon Falls	6.57
Grace, Kenosha	11.46
Holy Communion, Minneapolis	5.11
Holy Communion, Racine	35.75
Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	1.93
Holy Trinity, St. Paul	8.22
Redeemer, Milwaukee	21.47
Redeemer, Minneapolis	9.31
Redeemer, Livingston	5.45
Redeemer, Zumbrota	5.67
Reformation, Milwaukee	26.89
Reformation, St. Paul	58.19
Salem, Minneapolis	18.21
St. John's, Minneapolis	20.64
St. John's, Stacy	2.18
St. Luke's, Goodhue	7.94
St. Mark's, Minneapolis	13.35
St. Paul's, Red Wing	24.61
St. Peter's, Janesville	12.33
	$422.85

DISBURSEMENTS.

Advent, Cedarburg	$ .63
First, Winnipeg	30.50
Holy Trinity, Superior	27.36
Lake Park, Mliwaukee	2.12
Redeemer, Livingston	59.88
Redeemer, Minneapolis	15.01
Salem, Albert Lea	15.58
St. John's, Oshkosh	6.06
St. Mark's, Fargo	8.24
St. Paul's, Waterloo	3.66
Trinity, Lindstrom	18.35
Balance	235.46
	$422.85

Detailed Statement Synodical Current Expenses.

RECEIPTS.

Old Balance	$ 42.25
Total Receipts	435.71
	$477.96

DISBURSEMENTS.

President's Expenses	$ 73.62
Secretary, Salary and Expenses	14.57
Traveling Expenses Executive Committee	7.50
Printing	188.08
Apportionment for General Council Expenses	100.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	11.74
Paid to University Students Work for various Congregations	65.29
Balance	17.17
	$477.96

Inasmuch as the apportionment for delegates' traveling expenses is treated separately, and has no reference to our apportionment for Benevolences, I would respectfully recommend that this item be excluded from our apportionment table. This will save the Treasurer considerable unnecessary work in correcting mistakes continually made by the congregations in remitting for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

J. K. JENSEN, Treasurer.

JANESVILLE, WIS., May 19, 1913.

Detailed Statement of Congregations' Contributions, Synodical Year, 1912-1913.

NAME	Curr't Exp.	Traveling Exp'se	Church Extension	Home Missn's	Foreign Miss'ns	Porto Rico Miss'ns	Slav Missn's	Ministerial Educ.	Chic'go Seminary	Univ. Stud'nt Work	Jewish Miss'ns	Germ'n Home Missn's	Miscellaneous	Totals
St. John's, Minneapolis	$23 70	$20 64	50 60	148 20	70 90	29 60	11 80	12 80	$89 70	29 60	$5 70	2 90	.....	$496 14
Reformation, St. Paul	69 00	58 19	62 10	148 34	87 90	36 30	7 00	.....	156 50	23 30	.....	.....	.....	648 63
Holy Trinity, St. Paul	14 57	8 22	33 60	100 36	43 03	19 30	7 10	7 40	143 00	17 90	3 50	1 70	12 17	411 85
St. Paul's, Red Wing	38 00	24 61	.....	130 08	53 80	29 42	8 90	9 90	185 50	26 06	.....	.....	6 00	512 27
Salem, Minneapolis	22 90	18 21	50 20	142 70	70 00	31 75	15 00	11 30	120 00	23 50	6 00	2 70	.....	519 26
St. John's, Duluth	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 50
St. Mark's, No. St. Paul	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 33
St. Luke's, Goodhue	5 80	7 94	6 00	14 00	8 00	2 16	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 90
First, Cannon Falls	4 40	6 57	.....	5 03	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 00
Redeemer, Zumbrota	4 10	5 67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 77
Trinity, Lindstrom	8 80	.....	.....	38 50	8 00	7 00	1 00	.....	4 00	6 35	1 00	1 00	.....	75 76
St John's, Stacy	1 60	2 18	3 50	9 90	5 00	2 00	80	90	6 00	2 00	40	20	.....	34 48
St. Mark's, Minneapolis	18 50	13 35	35 00	120 30	50 00	26 00	9 10	5 93	37 00	23 00	4 90	2 20	.....	345 28
Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	10 20	1 93	21 80	70 00	60 00	12 70	5 00	5 10	38 20	12 70	2 50	1 20	.....	241 33
Salem, Albert Lea	5 70	.....	12 10	35 50	17 00	7 10	2 90	2 90	21 30	7 20	1 40	70	.....	113 80
Holy Communion, Minneapolis	3 30	5 11	7 10	23 00	3 36	.....	1 70	1 70	13 50	5 20	1 30	40	.....	65 67
Redeemer, Minneapolis	6 70	9 31	14 40	47 08	20 10	18 72	3 40	3 70	30 20	8 50	1 60	1 00	.....	164 71
Redeemer, Milwaukee	25 20	21 47	38 18	157 40	60 00	22 28	12 50	12 50	199 26	81 09	6 10	3 00	.....	638 92
Holy Communion, Racine	25 50	35 75	54 40	159 20	76 20	31 80	13 70	12 70	95 20	31 80	6 10	3 00	.....	545 35
Holy Trinity, La Crosse	.....	.....	12 73	14 59	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 71	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 03
Grace, Kenosha	10 00	11 46	29 70	15 56	17 87	15 00	6 90	.....	.....	17 30	3 40	.....	.....	127 19
First, Platteville	11 80	.....	6 98	39 06	17 52	.....	.....	.....	19 80	12 00	.....	.....	.....	107 16
St. Peter's, Janesville	21 79	12 33	14 91	73 20	35 00	14 60	5 80	5 80	44 80	14 60	2 80	1 40	.....	247 03
Advent, Cedarburg	4 30	.....	9 50	27 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	58 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 30
Epiphany, Milwaukee	21 60	17 82	46 20	135 40	64 80	27 00	10 80	10 80	134 00	27 10	5 20	2 60	.....	503 32
Atonement, Beloit	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 66
Holy Trinity, Superior	4 70	.....	10 00	29 00	7 18	4 00	2 40	.....	10 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	71 28
Holy Trinity, Madison	6 20	.....	21 52	25 91	30 00	7 80	.....	.....	.....	27 80	.....	70	.....	119 93
St. Paul's, Waterloo	3 80	.....	8 10	25 00	11 40	4 80	1 90	1 90	.....	4 80	1 00	50	.....	63 20
St. John's, Oshkosh	13 00	.....	10 14	63 80	13 66	8 00	2 00	.....	32 00	7 80	.....	.....	.....	150 40
Reformation, Milwaukee	19 50	26 89	41 50	153 85	30 00	12 15	5 00	9 70	348 01	24 25	.....	.....	.....	670 85
First, Middleton	2 60	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 30	.....	.....	.....	8 90
Holy Trinity, Afton	2 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 15
Atonement, Racine	.....	.....	15 00	34 83	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42 45	107 28
Lake Park, Milwaukee	2 10	.....	4 50	13 25	6 30	2 60	1 10	2 10	21 90	2 70	50	30	.....	57 35
St. Mark's, Fargo	16 70	.....	35 60	104 30	49 90	20 80	8 30	8 30	20 10	20 02	4 00	2 00	.....	290 02
Redeemer, Livingston	3 30	5 45	10 00	20 20	10 00	4 10	2 60	1 60	13 10	4 10	80	40	.....	75 65
First, Winnipeg	4 00	.....	12 75	26 90	7 20	5 00	2 25	3 75	15 50	5 00	1 50	1 50	.....	85 35
W. H & F. M. Soc. C. Conf	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 20
Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00	.....	.....	.....	38 45	.....	.....	.....	5 00	113 45
	$435 71	$313 10	$678 11	$2155 24	$1040 28	$ 416 18	$ 150 95	$ 130 78	$1920 50	$ 477 97	$59 70	$29 40	$65 62	$7873 54

The report was accepted and referred to an Auditing Committee.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Rev. W. F. Bacher be appointed fraternal delegate to the New York and New England Synod, and that the officers of Synod be authorized to send telegraphic greetings.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Rev. Luther Hogshead, Western District Superintendent of General Council Home Missions; Rev. H. E. Isaacson, D.D., Missionary from Rajahmundry, India; Rev. J. Teleen, D.D., Field Secretary of the Porto Rico Mission Board; Candidates John S. Albert, Walter Krumwiede, Carl C. Roth; Students F. R. Weber and G. R. Weber, be granted the privileges of the floor.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The President appointed as tellers the Revs. Willis Beck and C. P. Weiskotten.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph.D.
Secretary—Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht.
Treasurer—Mr. J. K. Jensen.

After the election of the President, the Rev. J. F. Beates was called to the chair and presided during the remaining period of balloting.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That Dr. Isaacson, returned missionary from India, be the third speaker on the evening program.

The President announced the following

COMMITTEES.

President's Report—The Revs. L. F. Gruber, W. F. Rex, W. S. Ulrich, A. J. D. Haupt, D.D., A. J. Holl; Messrs. Otto Monson and George Hemsing.

Conferences—The Revs. W. K. Frick, D.D., H. K. Gebhart, G. H. Schnur and Mr. Anton Johnson.

Reception of Congregations—The Revs. G. H. Trabert, D.D., J. F. Beates, L. W. Steckel; Messrs. H. A. Swanson, Albin Johnson and E. L. Eskilson.

Protocol and Printed Minutes—The Revs. W. C. Stump, J. F. Fedders; Messrs. F. A. Dietrich, David Wiegmann, Harry Isaacson and Ernst Cowdrey.

Appointment—The Revs. H. R. Gold, C. J. Rockey, C. P. Weiskotten; Messrs. E. E. Erickson and W. C. Gauger.

Excuse—The Revs. Wm. Gable, E. O. Hoffmeister; Messrs. P. Arthur, F. Smith and Theo J. Martin.

Auditing—Messrs. Wm. F. Pierstorff, Jno. F. Pergande, Geo. W. Rapps, Jno. Wolff, H. J. Bussau and Chas. Gorder.

Seminary—The Revs. F. E. Cooper, A. F. Elmquist, Ph.D., and Mr. J. K. Jensen.

Press—"The Lutheran", Rev. L. B. Deck; "The Home Missionary", Rev. J. Sander, L.H.D.; Local, Rev. Willis Beck.

The Rev. L. B. Deck presented the

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL CONFERENCE.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest:

The officers of the Central Conference beg leave to submit the following report:

Two regular meetings have been held since the last report was rendered.

The annual meeting was held at Platteville, Wis., June 5th and 6th, 1912, at which time the Rev. James F. Beates was elected President, the Rev. Luther B. Deck, Secretary-Treasurer, and Mr. G. W. Ekstrand member of the Executive Committee. The election of the Mission Committee of Conference resulted in the unanimous choice of the Revs. G. H. Trabert, D.D., George H. Schnur, and Luther B. Deck.

The Fall Convention was held October 8th and 9th, 1912, in the Church of the Redeemer, Minneapolis, Minn., the Rev. C. J. Rockey, pastor. The President of Conference preached the opening sermon and the Lord's Supper was administered. Fifteen clerical and nine lay delegates were present. Special stress was laid on the Home Mission work, and much time was spent in discussing the situation within the bounds of Conference, and particularly in the Twin Cities where the Lutheran Communicants outnumber the Methodists and Presbyterians combined, both of which church bodies have Field Missionaries at work. The congregations of Conference were called upon not only to pay their Home Mission apportionment in full, but also, if possible, ten per cent more.

A whole evening was set aside for the presentation of the subject, "Men for the Christian Ministry", under the heads (1) "The Office", (2) "The Source of Supply", (3) "The Crying Neeed". The Revs. Dr. Ramer and Dr. Telleen addressed Conference on the Slav and the Porto Rico Work.

Other subjects presented were "Augsburg Confession Art. XIV", "Study of Matt. 18:1-11", "Eternal Punishment", "Our Home Mission Campaign", "Is Tithing Practicable?" "Devotional Life in the Home."

The congregations of Conference were urged to provide parsonages for their pastors as soon as possible. The action of Conference at Goodhue in 1910, uniting North St. Paul and Stacy as one parish, was sustained. In view of the rapid growth of the cities in the Canadian Northwest, the President of Conference was instructed to lay the situation before the Home Mission Board, urging immediate occupancy.

JAMES F. BEATES, President.
LUTHER B. DECK, Sec.-Treas.

The report was received and referred to the Committee on Conferences.

The Rev. L. W. Steckel presented the

REPORT OF THE EASTERN CONFERENCE.

TO THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST:

Three regular meetings were held since the last report to Synod was made.

At Platteville, Wis., June 5, 1912, the following officers were elected: Rev. Wm. Eckert, President; Rev. L. W. Steckel, Secretary-Treasurer; Mr. Geo. Hemsing, member of the Synodical Executive Committee. The following were elected the Conference Mission Committee: Rev. Wm. Eckert, Rev. W. K. Frick, D.D., Rev. W. P. Christy. Conference appropriated $15.00 to the student work at Madison.

The Fall Convention was held in St. John's Church, Oshkosh, Wis., Rev. W. C. Stump, pastor, Oct. 7-10, 1912. The opening sermon was preached by the President of Conference on Monday evening and the Lord's Supper was celebrated. Tuesday was Woman's Missionary Day; Wednesday, Sunday School Day; and Thursday, Conference. The President reported that the parishes of Conference were in a flourishing condition. He treated various problems of interest to the Church showing the need of a strong system of religious education to overcome the secularizing tendencies in the public schools. Owing to the fact that the Rev. Wm. Eckert was leaving a parish of Conference to become the General Secretary of the Seminary in Chicago, he resigned the office of President. The Rev. W. P. Christy was elected to that office. The President of Synod and the Rev. Luther Hogshead were present and spoke on the mission situation in Conference. Topics on the program were as follows: "The Church and Economic Movements", "The Church and Materialism", "The Unchurched Problem", "The Home Mission Council Movement", "The Ministerial Recruiting Problem", and "Lutheran Union".

The Spring Convention was held in the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Platteville, Wis., the Rev. L. W. Steckel, pastor, April 1-3, 1913. The communion sermon was preached by the Rev. P. W. Roth. In the absence of the President the Secretary rendered a brief report, in which was noted the progress of the parishes of Conference. The opening of the new Church at Lake Park, Milwaukee; the misssion at Neenah; the new work at Marshall; the student work at Madison, and the absence of the Rev. W. P. Christy were among the things mentioned in the report. The Rev. F. E. Cooper was elected chairman *pro tem.* A committee appointed to secure names of young men and boys who might have the ministry in view reported that they had secured 158 names from the pastors of Conference. By resolution of Conference these names were turned over to the General Secretary of the Seminary in Chicago. Papers were read on the following subjects: "A Western Branch of Our Publishing House", "The Nature and Needs of Man", "Social Dangers (1) In Country Life, (2) In City Life, (3) In School and College Life", "The Ministerial Candidate's Equipment", "The Nature and Authority of the Church", "The Minor Festivals, their Value and Use", "The Pro estantism of To-day, Its Method and Mission". Addresses were given at the evening services on: "Sunday a Day of Rest" and "In Hoc Signo Vinces".

A committee of three laymen was appointed to secure subscriptions to the amount of $1,500.00 annually as a salary for a Field Missionary on the territory of Conference.

The "every member canvass", as a means of raising the apportionments to the benevolences of the Church, was strongly urged upon the congregation.

The Board of State Normal School Regents was petitioned to introduce a religious census blank in the schools under their jurisdiction.

A resolution was passed at the Spring Conference urging the presentation of the scope and work of the General Council, and designating Sept 7, the Sunday previous to the coming convention of the General Council, as a day when these matters should be presented.

A recommendation was passed by which it was suggested to pastors that they endeavor to obviate the general misconception of the general public in respect to the spirit and character of the Lutheran Church, by co-operation with general movements when possible without compromising their confessional position.

The matter of a western branch of our Publication House was discussed, and further investigations are being made in reference to this vital question.

The members of Conference were urged to open their pulpits to the Rev. H. R. Gold, the University Pastor at Madison, and co-operate with him in every possible way so that this work may speedily have an adequate plant in this most strategic center.

L. W. STECKEL, Secretary.

The report was received and referred to the Committee on Conferences.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. J. Teleen be given an opportunity to address Synod on the Porto Rico Mission on Wednesday afternoon.

Synod adjourned. The President pronounced the benediction.

SECOND SESSION.

Wednesday, May 21, 9:00 A. M.

The Rev. Dr. W. K. Frick conducted the Matin service.

The Roll was called and the Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Acting upon the report of the Ministerium the following candidates were received for ordination:

JOHN SUTHERLAND ALBERT.
WALTER KRUMWIEDE.
CARL COSSMAN ROTH.

The brethren were formally presented by the Rev. Geo. H. Trabert, D.D., and heartily welcomed by the President.

The Rev. Geo. H. Trabert, D.D., presented the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND, FOR THE SYNODICAL YEAR 1912-1913.

TO THE ENGLISH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST:

Your Board held its first meeting of the synodical year as soon as possible after the adjournment of Synod, June 10th, 1912, to arrange for the investment of the money on hand, $5,500. This was invested with the C. A. Smith Lumber Company at 6% interest, for which a note payable on demand was given.

It was also resolved that a circular letter should again be issued in order to keep the matter before the pastors and congregations.

To the Pastors and Congregations of the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest:

In compliance with the resolution of Synod we beg leave to again call attention to the "Fund for Superanuated Ministers and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Ministers" in our Synod.

Through the kindness and munificence of the Hon. C. A. Smith the Fund now amounts to Ten Thousand Dollars, the interest of which is available whenever needed, as indicated by the Rules governing the fund, which are herewith enclosed. Mr. Smith's gift was dependent upon every pastor and congregation contributing annually the amount to the Fund, as indicated by the rules, so that in due time it might be increased to such an extent that the interest would justify the payment of an adequate sum to those needing it, as a just recompense for the service rendered in their effort to promote the Kingdom of God.

Send all moneys to Mr. Oscar W. Weibel, acting treasurer for the Hon. C. A. Smith, care of C. A Smith Lumber Co., 44th Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.

A. Holt, President.
G. H. Trabert, Secretary.

Early in February of this year your Board was notified by the then acting Treasurer, Mr. O. W. Weibel, that he was about to move to California, and that some one else should be appointed in his place. A meeting of the Board was called to meet in the chambers of Supreme Court Judge A. Holt, in the State Capitol, St. Paul, on Feb. 7th; the members, Holt, Munson and Trabert, being present. The Treasurer, Hon. C. A. Smith, had been consulted by letter, and Mr. Fred Swanson, not being able to be present, agreed with the other Directors that Mr. Otto Monson be designated as the acting Treasurer until the close of this synodical year. The meeting then adjourned to meet again at the call of the Secretary. Soon after the meeting the Secretary wrote to every pastor in the Synod that all moneys be sent to Mr. Monson, 500 Germania Life Insurance Building, St. Paul.

Pursuant to the call of the Secretary another meeting of the Board was held Monday, May 19th, in the Study of Salem Church, Minneapolis, Messrs. C. A. Smith, Otto Monson and Dr. G. H. Trabert being present. The Treasurer's report was read, adopted and placed on file, a summary of which is appended to be printed in the minutes. It was resolved that the funds on hand be invested with the C. A. Smith Timber Co., at 6% interest. It was sincerely regretted that there were a number of delinquents, so that all the funds could not be at once invested.

The following congregations responded before the Treasurer's books were closed, viz.:

From the Central Conference:

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Canon Falls.
Holy Communion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Minneapolis.
Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Minneapolis.
Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, St. Paul.

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Superior, Wis.
First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Winnipeg, Canada.
Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lindstrom.
Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, Minneapolis.
Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, Albert Lea.
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Minneapolis.
St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Goodhue.
St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fargo, N. D.
St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Minneapolis.
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Red Wing.
Church of the Redeemer, Livingston, Montana.
Church of the Redeemer, Minneapolis.
Church of the Redeemer, Zumbrota.
Church of the Reformation, St. Paul.

The three congregations in the Central Conference that have not responded are at present without a pastor, viz: Duluth, Stacy and North St. Paul

The following have responded from the Eastern Conference:

Church of the Advent, Cedarburg, Wis.
Church of the Epiphany, Milwaukee.
Church of the Holy Communion, Racine.
Church of the Redeemer, Milwaukee.
Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Madison.
Lake Park Evangelical Lutheran Church, Milwaukee.
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Oshkosh.
First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Middleton.

The congregations in the Eastern Conference that did not respond before the close of the Treasurer's books are: Atonement, Beloit; Atonement, Racine; First Church, Platteville; Grace, Kenosha; Holy Trinity, Afton; Holy Trinity, La Crosse. The Church of the Refortion, Milwaukee, and St. Peter's, Janesville, will pay by June 6th. The following ministers have paid their quota:

Rev. Willis Beck.
Rev. James F. Beates.
Rev. W. P. Christy.
Rev. F. E. Cooper.
Rev. Luther B. Deck.
Rev. Wm. Eckert.
Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph.D.
Rev. J. F. Fedders.
Rev. W. K. Frick, D.D.
Rev. A. J. D. Haupt, D.D.
Rev. F. W. Klingensmith.
Rev. J. E. Schewell.
Rev. C. J. Rockey.
Rev. G. K. Rubrecht
Rev. John Sander, L.H.D.

Rev. G. H. Schnur.
Rev. L. W. Steckel.
Rev. Wm. C. Stump.
Rev. G. H. Trabert, D.D.
Rev. L. E. Baisler.
Rev. W. S. Ulrich.
Rev. E. O. Hoffmeister.
Rev. T. F. Weiskotten.
Rev. A. J. Holl.
Rev. L. F. Gruber.
Rev. Howard R. Gold.

The following failed to respond before the close of the Treasurer's books: Revs. W. W. Gable, W. H. Bacher, H. K. Gebhart, Paul H. Roth, W. F. Rex and C. P. Weiskotten.

It is sincerely hoped that those congregations and pastors in arrears will send in their quota before June 6th so that it can be promptly invested when the note falls due. It is a matter of great satisfaction that we are now in position to render some aid to such, for whose benefit the fund is intended, should any case arise, but it is very desirable that the fund increase as much as possible so that in the future God's servants who may be incapacitated for work may receive a just due for services rendered.

The whole amount received from congregations during the year was $265.71, and from ministers, $130.25. A total of $395.96.

Last year's accounts were audited by Messrs. C. Grinorud and James Nelson, businessmen of Minneapolis, and were found correct.

If all the congregations and pastors in arrears send in their quota before June 4th the whole amount can be invested and bear interest from that date.

The time of Judge Andrew Holt expires with this meeting and his successor must be elected.

At a meeting of the Board, held June 10th, Judge A. Holt was instructed to re-draft Rule 9, and that Synod be requested to change it. The Rule now reads:

9. The Treasurer of the Board shall give a bond to the Synod in such amount as it may from time to time fix for the faithful discharge of his duties and the accounting of all money and securities coming into his hands. The cost of procuring such bond shall be borne by the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. TRABERT, Secretary.

SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT OF MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 31, 1912	$ 414.97
Congregations	265.71
Ministers	130.25
Interest on $4,500 C. A. Smith Timber Co. bonds one year to February 1, 1913	270.00
Special contribution at Synod	65.39
	$1,146.22

DISBURSEMENTS.

Refund to Mr. C. A. Smith when donating $5,500 note, same being in excess of $10,000	$480.26	
Printing and sending out circulars	2.50	
		$ 482.76
Cash on hand		$ 663.46

TOTAL ASSETS.

Cash	$ 663.46
C. A. Smith Timber Co. bonds	4,500.00
Accrued interest on same three and one-half months	80.25
Mr. C. A. Smith's note	5,500.00
Accrued interest on same from June 6, 1912, to date	311.68
	$11,055.39

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. SMITH,, Treasurer.

N. B.—In the future address all funds to Mr. Otto Monson, 500 Germania Life Insurance Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.

The report was received for consideration.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the President of Synod be authorized to appoint a committee to audit the Treasurer's books.

Committee, Messrs. P. Arthur F. Smith, E. E. Erickson, and H. A. Bussau.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the remainder of the report be referred to a committee of five, the majority of whom shall be laymen, and that they report at this Convention.

Committee, Revs. Dr. Sander, F. E. Cooper, Messrs. Geo. Hemsing, Wm. F. Pierstorff, and Chas. C. Gorder.

At the Fourth Session Mr. Geo. Hemsing presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF FIVE.

to consider change of Rules in the Constitution of the Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

The committee to whom the report on the Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund was referred recommend that Rule 9 of the rules and regulations for the control of this fund be changed to read as follows:

9. The Treasurer of the Board shall give a bond to the Synod in such amount as it may from time to time fix for the faithful discharge of his duties and the accounting of all moneys and securities coming into his hands. The cost of procuring such bond shall be borne by the fund.

We further recommend that Rule 10 be amended by inserting after the word "fund", in the second line, the words, "in approved bonds or other first mortgage securities".

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. Gorder,
F. E. Cooper,
Geo. Hemsing,
W. F. Pierstorff,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the amount of the bond be determined by the Executive Committee.

The President read a letter of fraternal greetings from the Rev. B. F. Hoefer, President of the Chicago Synod.

The Rev. A. J. Holl presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR ESTABLISHING A HOME-FINDING ASSOCIATION FOR ORPHANS.

To the Synod of the Northwest:

Dear Brethren:—Your Committee on considering the advisability of establishing a Home-finding Association for Orphans conferred, according to instructions with a representative of the Deaconess Mother-

house and with a representative of the Iowa Synod, in the person of Rector H. L. Fritschel, and arrived at the following conclusions:

The Church of Christ is under an inner necessity to provide for destitute and dependent children. Other than those provided by distant orphan asylums we have no arrangements for doing this divinely commanded work. In the so-called Home-finding Association there is a praiseworthy and efficient way for us to undertake the discharge of our duty in this matter. Its advantages are many, its requisites few, its feasibility demonstrated by years of successful operation at the hands of the State, the denominations around us, and at least three of the Synods within our Church. The need for such work will be apparent as soon as it becomes known that we are ready to do something. The co-operation of the Wisconsin District of the Iowa Synod as well as that of the Protestant Deaconess Association through its Motherhouse at Milwaukee, is not yet assured officially, but will be sought for the project by Rector Fritschel at the coming convention of his District Synod, and at the meeting of the Board of Managers of the Protestant Deaconess Association. With such co-operation this branch of Inner Mission work might be begun at once, with blessed results for the Kingdom of God.

1. We therefore recommend that Synod enter into the formation of a Home-finding Association for dependent children, with a receiving station at Milwaukee, Wis., seeking the fullest co-operation of the Protestant Deaconess Association and the Wisconsin District of the Iowa Synod in carrying out the work.

2. That a committee be appointed to enlist the co-operation above mentioned, to have in charge the details of organization, and to draft and submit a Constitution and By-Laws for ratification at the next convention of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL W. ROTH,
A. J. HOLL,
G. KELLER RUBRECHT,
Committee.

The report, including the recommendations, was adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consider the advisability of establishing a Home Finding Society for Orphans within the confines of the Central Conference.

Committee, Revs. Dr. G. H. Trabert, C. J. Rockey and G. H. Schnur.

The Rev. L. F. Gruber presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Number of congregations.....38
Number of pastors.....35
Number of church buildings.....34
Number of additional lots purchased..... 3
Number of parsonages..... 6

The Parochial statistics are comprised under the following heads, for which see tables:

I. Membership—pages 66 and 67.
II. Finances—pages 68 and 69
III. Organization—pages 70 and 71

Of these statistics the following summary may be given:

I. Membership.

		LOSS	GAIN
Catechumens	942	13	...
Students for the ministry	8	..	4
Number communed	6447	..	539
Members in good standing	6864	..	28
Confirmed membership at date last report			8,839

ACCESSIONS DURING THE YEAR.

Infant baptisms	618	
By adult baptism	57	
By confirmation	602	
From Lutheran congregations	162	
By renewal of faith	395	
By restoration	23	
Total accessions		1,239

LOSSES DURING THE YEAR.

By death	64	
By transfer	122	
Otherwise	452	
Total losses		638
Net gain during year		601
Present confirmed membership		9,440
Baptized children not included in the above		6,924
Total baptized membership		16,364

Baptized membership at date last report	15,672
Increase in baptized membership	692

II. Finances.

		DECREASE	INCREASE
Congregational—			
Value of property	$562.500.00		$55,800.00
Indebtedness	211,315.00		24,324.00
Contributions—			
Current expenses	50,322.75	$ 1,889.36	
For extraordinary expenses	47,269.94	9,581.23	
Total local objects	$ 97,592.69	$11,470.59	
Benevolences—			
Synodical:			
Expenses of Synod	$ 416.58	$ 251.09	
Traveling expenses	545.74	159.35	
Ministerial relief	356.71	153.30	
Chicago Seminary	2,446.04		1,258.41
Ministerial education	130.78		41.78
Totals	$ 3,895.85	$ 563.74	$ 1,300.19
Net increase			736.45
General Council:			
Home Missions	$ 2,315.87		$ 414.79
Church Extension	761.15	9.99	
Foreign Missions	1,099.88		242.14
Porto Rico Mission	441.26		117.57
Slav Mission	153.95		31.16
University Student Work	466.66		268.68
Totals	$ 5,238.77	$ 9.99	$ 1,074.34
Net increase			1,064.35
Other benevolences	1,189.58		381.13
Total benevolences	$ 10,324.20		$ 2,181.93
Grand total contributions	$107,916.89	$ 9,288.66	
Average per member, total confirmed	11.43	1.83	
Average per member, good standing	15.72	1.42	

III. Organizations.

1. *Sunday Schools—*		
Number of schools	36	
Enrollment	7,038	129

Average attendance	4,301		60
Contributions:			
For local objects	$ 6,416.04		$ 670.95
For benevolences	1,809.22		267.62
Total	$ 8,225.26		$ 938.57

2. *Women's Societies—*

Number	36		
Enrollment	1,637		18
Average attendance	1,028	104	
Contributions:			
For local objects	$12,570.36		$ 2,940.53
For benevolences	1,347.35		328.67
Total	$ 13,917.71		$ 3,275.20

3. *Luther Leagues—*

Number	32		
Enrollment	1,160	60	
Average attendance	638	176	
Contributions:			
For local objects	$ 1,094.88	$ 500.16	
For benevolences	233.52		68.88
Total	$ 1,328.40	$ 431.28	

4. *Men's Societies—*

Number	10		
Enrollment	262		7
Average attendance	181		14
Contributions:			
For local objects	$ 209.21		$ 137.78
For benevolences		$ 26.00	
Total	$ 209.21		$ 111.78

Respectfully submitted,

L. F. GRUBER,
LUTHER B. DECK,
W. S. ULRICH,
Committee.

The report was received and adopted.

The President, the Rev. Dr. Elmquist, presented the

REPORT OF THE ENGLISH HOME MISSION BOARD OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL TO THE SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST, MAY 1, 1913.

DEAR BRETHREN:

The most Lutheran section of our great Home Mission field is the territory of the Synod of the Northwest. From Illinois to Hudson Bay and from the Great Lakes to the Rocky Mountains, there lies the great Middle West which is now taking an important part in the destiny of two nations. Here we have made but a beginning, but one which promises a rich fruitage in the years to come, if we unitedly lay hold of our present opportunities.

Our first efforts were put forth as a Board, with no connection with the Mission authorities of the Synod composing our General Body. Our second effort was to weld these forces together for the cultivation of the entire field and of every part of the same. By the adoption of the Unification Plan and the Rules and Regulations at the last meeting of the General Council we have secured a working basis for harmonious co-operation. We are now engaged in the third effort to bring this united force to understand the entire field and have them intelligently and earnestly co-operate for the success and attainment of our light and glorious aim.

To cultivate the field of the Synod of the Northwest, our present missionary staff is entirely inadequate. We should have a Field Missionary for Wisconsin, one for Minnesota and for each of the Dakotas, one for Montana, and one for the Canadian provinces of Alberta and Manitoba. Nor do we expect that all the special funds to support all these field missionaries must be secured on your territory and from your people. The women of the Western Conference of the New York and New England Synod have already agreed to contribute $400 a year toward the support of a Field Missionary for Montana. We must in some way provide the means for these agents by special effort, as the apportionment of the Synods are scarcely adequate for our present operations. In this we ask the co-operation of your Synod. It must, however, be clearly understood that all our missionary operations are to be conducted according to the Unification Plan recommended by the General Council and adopted by your Synod.

We rejoice that we have been able to secure such an able successor to our lamented Brother Zundel, in the Rev. Luther B. Deck, who began his labors as Field Secretary of the Twin Cities on May 1st, 1913.

During the year, through the diligence of the Rev. W. C. Stump, of Oshkosh, the assistance of the District Superintendent, Rev. Luther Hogshead, and the faithful labors of Student F. R. Webber, a new mission has been organized at Neenah, Wis., and the Rev. A. J. Sommer, of Otterbein, Ind., has been called. The Mission has purchased

a church property and begins paying six-tenths of the salary of the Missionary.

St. John's Mission and pastor at Oshkosh, the Rev. W. C. Stump, missionary, has set a splendid example of liberality and self-sacrifice to the Church in declaring itself sustaining, whilst in progress of gathering funds for a new and larger equipment. They have gratefully acknowledged the help which the Board has extended.

The First Church, Winnipeg, the Redeemer, Livingston, Montana, and Lake Park, Milwaukee, are erecting church buildings which will be a credit to our cause and an ornament to the respective cities. A number of our missions have made reductions in the amount of our appropriations. We confidently expect that a number can be transferred to the self-sustaining list by January 1, 1914.

The progress and condition of the missions will be found in the statistical table.

SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST.

CITY.	Congregation.	Organized	Pastor.	Members 1912	Members 1913
Winnipeg, Canada	First	1905	P. E. Baisler	84	112
Superior, Wis	Holy Trinity	1905	W. H. Gable	120	135
Milwaukee, Wis	Lake Park	1911	C. E. Cooper	36	50
Milwaukee, Wis	Reformation	1908	A. J. Holl	332	448
Racine, Wis	Atonement	1909	W. F. Rex	195	237
Beloit, Wis	Atonement	1905	Paul J. Roth	147	154
Madison, Wis	Holy Trinity	1907	H. R. Gold	121	150
Oshkosh, Wis	St. John's	1907	W. C. Stump	121	143
Cedarburg, Wis	Advent	1904	T. F. Weiskotten	76	79
Minneapolis, Minn	Redeemer	1909	C. J. Rockey	115	164
Minneapolis, Minn	Holy Communion	1909	L. B. Deck	59	77
Livingston, Mont	Redeemer	1906	F. W. Klingensmith	55	58

Our Requests.

1 We ask that $3,000.00 be apportioned among the congregations and that the Synod make earnest effort to secure that amount for English Home Mission work as the minimum.

2. There will be a general effort in the cause of Home and Foreign missions for information and inspiration, similar to that of the Laymen's Forward Movement in the interest of Foreign Missions some years ago. This will be accompanied and followed by denominational and congregational effort, celebrating Home Mission Week in all our congregations, November 16-23, beginning and ending on the Lord's Day; discussing Emigration in all its phases. The whole effort will culminate in an every member canvass for the increase of contributions to the local expenses and to the benevolent operations of the Synod and the General Council in the month of March, 1914. We ask the Home Mission Board of the Synod, in conjunction with the Home Mission Committee, and in co-operation with the General Board, to arrange for Home Mission Week and the Every Member Canvass

in their congregation. There should be a Mission Committee in every congregation.

3. We ask that the Synod appoint a time of special prayer during its session for more men for the ministry, that it urge upon its people and pastors daily intercession, upon its congregations continual prayer, that the Lord may send more laborers into His harvest.

Praying God's richest blessing upon the deliberations of the Synod and upon our United Home Mission work, we submit to you our report.

A. C. ALBRECHT,
Secretary.

The report was received and considered item by item. Item I was referred to the Apportionment Committee.

Under Item II, it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the Home Mission Committees of Synod be instructed to co-oporate with the General Council Board in arranging for the proper observance of Home Mission Week and the subsequent every member canvass.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Conferences be instructed to plan for the appointment of a Mission Committee in every congregation.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That Home Mission Week and its topic, "Immigration", be made the subject of papers and discussion at the Fall Conference meetings.

Item III was referred to Committee on President's Report.

The report was adopted as a whole.

Synod adjourned, the Rev. Dr. Frick leading in prayer.

The President pronounced the benediction.

THIRD SESSION.

Wednesday, May 21, 2:00 P. M.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. Wm. Eckert.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the Second Session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. G. H. Trabert presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE RECEPTION OF CONGREGATIONS.

Your Committee begs leave to report that there was placed in their hands the application of two congregations, both in the bounds of the Eastern Conference. The first is St. Paul's English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Neenah, Wis., which was organized with about sixty charter members. The congregation has adopted a constitution agreeing with the one recommended by our Synod, and your Committee recommend its reception.

The second congregation is Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Marshall, Wis., which was organized with thirty charter members and will for the present be served in connection with St. Paul's congregation, Waterloo, Rev. C. P. Weiskotten, pastor. This constitution has also been examined by your Committee and agrees with that recommended by Synod. We recommend its reception.

G. H. TRABERT.
JAS. F. BEATES.
L. W. STECKEL.
H. A. SWANSON.

The report was received, adopted item by item, and as a whole.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the name of Mr. Wm. Zickert be entered upon the Roll of Synod as the lay-delegate from Holy Trinity congregation, Marshall, Wis.

The Rev. Geo. H. Schnur presented the

REPORT OF THE LITURGICAL COMMITTEE.

Your Committee arranged the liturgical portion of the Synodical program which has been adopted and is in use.

The two portions of the Committee arranged similar parts of the Conference programs, as instructed by a former action of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. SCHNUR.
LUTHER B. DECK.

The report was adopted.

The presence of Mrs. L. F. Gruber, President of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Central Conference, was announced, and, on motion, it was

Resolved, That she be accorded the privileges of the floor during the discussion of missionary subjects.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. Telleen address Synod on the work in Porto Rico.

Dr. Telleen presented the work of our missionaries on that island and made an earnest plea for more liberal support.

Synod took a three minute recess.

Three papers on Christian Education were read and discussed. The Rev. J. F. Fedders presented a paper on "The College", the Rev. H. R. Gold on "The University", and the Rev. Wm. Eckert on "The Seminary".

Synod adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

The President pronounced the benediction.

FOURTH SESSION.

Thursday, May 22, 9:00 A. M.

The Matin Service was conducted by the Rev. Dr. J. Sander.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the Third Session were read, corrected and approved.

The Rev. F. E. Cooper presented the

REPORT OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT MAYWOOD.

The twenty-second year of the Seminary, and third in its new home at Maywood, has been one of the most prosperous in all its history. Except that Dr. Weidner's affliction made it necessary for him to suspend his work for a short time just before the close of the year, the health of Professors and students has been as usual, most excellent. Dr. Weidner is spending his vacation abroad, and it is hoped that his return will find him re-invigorated for the work of the coming year. The enrollment of students has been the largest in five years. The support tendered by the Church at large has been hearty and generous, our own Synod contributing the handsome sum for the year of $2,874.25. Our new General Secretary, the Rev. Wm. Eckert, assumed the duties of his office last

fall. The Board has made a complete revision of the rules governing the duties and powers of the General Secretary, and the new man is fitting splendidly into the new and enlarged sphere of activity, and we bespeak for him in the discharge of his duties the hearty co-operation of all our pastors and congregations. He has been charged with full responsibility in all that pertains to the temporal interests of the institution, and we believe will measure up fully to the possibilities of his office. With the full approval of the Board he has taken active steps looking toward the endowment of the institution. At a meeting held at the Seminary, attended by representatives of the Board, the Faculty, the Alumni and the Presidents of the three Synods most directly interested, namely the District Synod of Ohio, the Chicago Synod and our own, it was recommended to the Board that a united effort be made to raise an endowment of not less than $150,000, the work to be finished by January, 1916. The Board unanimously approved this recommendation, and appointed a committee to inaugurate and carry on the campaign for funds. The committee consists of the General Secretary, Revs. Cooper, Anda and Gehr, and Messrs. Deck and Franke, and one additional member to be appointed from the District Synod of Ohio. It will interest Synod to know that our generous friend and co-laborer, Mr. C. A. Smith, has made a beginning for this work in the offer of $25,000, conditioned upon the raising of an additional sum of $25,000. This offer the Board has accepted, and the first task of the Committee will be to meet it. The Board will welcome other offers of a similar character.

During the last scholastic year a special course of lectures on Sunday School and Home Mission Work was delivered by the Rev. J. R. E. Hunt. The expense of the Course was borne by a friend of the Seminary.

The Rev. P. H. Roth, formerly of our Synod, will continue as instructor in the Seminary and will devote more time than heretofore to the work in the classroom having become the pastor of the St. John's Church at Maywood.

During this year two deaconesses from the Norwegian Motherhouse have been in attendance at the Seminary, taking special courses preparatory to work in the foreign field; one of them, Sister Thone, leaving for China this summer. They have been housed in the home of the General Secretary, but attending lectures and recitations with the regular students of the Seminary.

The success of this experiment, for experiment it was, suggests the possibilities that are connected with an enlarged sphere of usefulness for our seminaries in the training of lay workers for the Church.

The Board bespeaks for its work a continuance of the very generous support you have given during the year just closed. We have again given evidence of the service the Seminary renders the Synod in sending you for your work the three men who stood at the

head of the class, not one of whom is a son of the Synod. The more heartily and generously the Synod supports the Seminary the more efficient will be the service the Seminary renders in return.

W. K. FRICK.
F. E. COOPER.

The report was received and ordered to be printed in the Minutes.

The Rev. F. E. Cooper presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSORSHIP FOR THE SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of Synod (see Minutes, p. 43) "to consider and report upon the advisability of establishing a Synod of the Northwest Professorship", etc., in the Chicago Seminary, would recommend the following:

1. That in the judgment of this Synod it is most desirable to establish a Synod of the Northwest Professorship, the incumbent of which would be a member of this Synod.

2. That a Committee be appointed to co-operate with the Endowment Committee of the Board of Directors of the Seminary, with power to act in the establishment, support and endowment of such a Chair.

F. E. COOPER.
A. F. ELMQUIST.
J. K. JENSEN.

The report was received and items adopted. The report was adopted as a whole.

Mr. Wm. F. Pierstorff presented the

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

TO THE ENGLISH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST:

We, the undersigned Auditing Committee, do hereby certify that we have examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer and have found them correct.

Respectfully submitted,

WM F. PIERSTORFF.
C. A. GORDER.
ADOLF ANDERSEN.
JNO. F. PERGANDE.
H. W. BUSSAU.

The report was received and adopted.

Mr. Geo. Hemsing presented the report of the special committee appointed by the President to consider the recommendation in the Report of the Board of Control of the Ministers', Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

The report was adopted (See Second Session).

The Rev. H. K. Gebhart presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY.

Your Committee on Students for the Ministry has had one meeting and has had considerable correspondence during the year.

In the Eastern Conference evening sessions were devoted to this subject at both Conventions of Conference, Dr. Frick and Rev. Eckert delivering addresses on various phases of the subject at each convention. The Conference also secured the names and scholastic standing of all prospective students for the ministry, sending this data to the Rev. Wm. Eckert, General Secretary of the Chicago Seminary. The Conference reports prospective students as follows:

Grade Schools	62
High Schools	72
Colleges	6
Universities	12
Elsewhere	6
	158

The Central Conference devoted an evening to the discussion of the general topic, "Students for the Ministry", at the October meeting. Dr. Sander spoke on "The Office"; Rev. Isaiah Whitman, on "The Source of Supply", and Dr. Elmquist on "The Crying Need".

The Committee members from the Central Conference sent out a circular letter just previously to the Epiphany Season, calling upon the pastors to present the claims of the ministry, when preaching upon the Gospel and Epistle texts of the Epiphany Season.

Your Committee recommends:

1. That Synod continue to maintain a committee caring for this specific work.

2. That the pastors shall be diligent in their efforts to find young men and direct them to the ministry, holding forth the concrete work

of men, the concrete growth of the Church and Synod, the institutions of the Church in talks and addresses to Sunday school and young people.

3. That the circular letter sent out by the members of the Committee from the Central Conference be amended and amplified, and sent to all the pastors of Synod, and that the procedure of gathering data conducted by the Eastern Conference be followed by the Central Conference.

4. Your Committee takes cognizance of the commendation of the General Council, touching the work of the General Council among the Lutheran students in secular institutions, and recommends that in proper appreciation of the great work done on the territory of our Synod, Synod shall scrupulously further and support the new student work of the General Council.

H. K. GEBHART.
G. H. TRABERT.
W. K. FRICK.
C. J. ROCKEY.

The report was received and adopted item by item, and then as a whole.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a committee of two, consisting of one member from each Conference, be appointed to keep alive the interest in the Ministers', Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

Committee, Revs. L. B. Deck and L. W. Steckel.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That Synod fill the vacancy on the Board of Control of the Ministers', Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

Justice A. Holt, Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of Minnesota, was unanimously re-elected to fill the vacancy, the Secretary casting the ballot.

The Rev. L. F. Gruber presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

In examining the President's Report it is with much pleasure and satisfaction that we find such remarkable activity and progress in the various departments of our beloved Synod's work. Nearly every item of the report is of interest, as marking a forward step in the onward march of our Synod. We rejoice especially to note the number of

new churches that have been erected during the year, or that are in process of erection.

We submit the following for action:

1. That we return thanks to our Heavenly Father in thus guiding and prospering our Synod for another year in the great work which He has committed to us.

2. That, with gratitude to God, we take official recognition of this thirtieth anniversary of the beginning of the English Lutheran work in the Northwest, which, in the providence of God has resulted in this Synod, and that we rejoice that the pioneers are still with us.

3. That this body, in officially recognizing and celebrating the fortieth anniversary of the ordination of the pioneer of English Lutheran work in Wisconsin, the Rev. William K. Frick, D.D., thank God for the fruits of His servant's labors, and that we invoke God to spare and bless him for many more years of faithful service.

4. That we note with sadness the illness of Mrs. W. P. Christy, and that the Secretary of Synod be instructed to communicate to Pastor and Mrs. Christy this expression of our sympathy, and that we invoke the blessing of our Heavenly Father upon her for her speedy recovery.

5. That Synod express its gratification on the erection and consecration of this churchly edifice in which it is our privilege to assemble, and that the President express our felicitations to the congation of Zumbrota at to-night's public service.

6. With reference to the question of the shortage of men for the ministry we recommend that this matter be referred to the proper committee appointed for the furtherance of this work, and that, as suggested in the report of the Committee on English Home Missions, our churches offer up special prayer to the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth more laborers into the harvest.

7. With reference to the President's recommendation to take steps looking forward to the possible associating of an academy and a college with the Theological Seminary at Maywood, we recommend that a Committee on Christian Education be appointed to take under advisement the establishment, if feasible, conjointly with other English Lutheran Synods, of a college at Maywood, as well as that of an academy by this Synod at such place as may be deemed most practicable.

8. Noting that the President of Synod has called attention to the fact that ministers, as a class, are underpaid in the light of their relative expenses and to the consequent importance of a due increase of salaries on the part of congregations whenever possible, therefore we recommend that the attention of congregations be called to this matter by the Executive Committee.

9. And we would further recommend that Synod express its appreciation of the untiring zeal and faithful service of the President in the administration of the duties of his office.

Respectfully submitted,

L. F. GRUBER,
A. J. D. HAUPT,
A. J. HOLL,
W. F. REX,
W. S. ULRICH,
OTTO MONSON,
GEO. HEMSING,
Committee.

The report was received and considered seriatim.

Items 1, 2 were adopted; item 3 was adopted by a rising vote; items 4, 5, 6 and 7 were adopted.

The balance of the report was deferred until the Fifth Session.

Synod adjourned. The President offering a prayer for the sick and pronouncing the benediction.

FIFTH SESSION.

Thursday, May 22, 2:00 P. M.

The Rev. Wm. H. Gable conducted the devotions.

The Roll was called and the Minutes read and approved.

The further consideration of the report of the Committee on President's Report was resumed. Item 8 was adopted.* Item 9 was adopted by a rising vote.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. H. R. Gold presented the

REPORT OF THE APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE

which was considered item by item. After considerable discussion, and a number of changes made by the recommendation of Synod, the report was adopted in the following form:

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* See President's Report on the matter of ministers' salaries.

Synodical Expenses	$ 550.00
Traveling Expenses	440.53
Chicago Seminary	1,500.00
Ministerial Education	200.00
Home Missions	2,500.00
Church Extension	850.00
Foreign Missions	1,200.00
Porto Rico Missions	500.00
Slav Missions	200.00
University Student Work	500.00
German Home Missions	100.00
Jewish Missions	150.00
Inner Missions	100.00
Total	$8,790.53

Time for the special order of the day having arrived, Synod with pleasure listened to the following doctrinal papers:

"Regeneration and Conversion in Lutheran and Reformed Churches", Rev. A. J. Holl.

"Death and What Follows", Rev. Wm. C. Stump.

"Does the Bible Teach the Resurrection of the Body", Rev. E. O. Hoffmeister.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That Rev. F. E. Cooper's paper be reserved for Seventh Session on Friday afternoon.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That Synod begin one-half hour earlier for both sessions on Friday to enable Synod to transact all necessary business.

Time was extended about one-half hour to complete the Report of the Apportionment Committee.

Synod adjourned, with Rev. Wm. S. Ulrich leading in prayer.

The President pronounced the benediction.

SIXTH SESSION.

Friday, May 23, 8:30 A. M.

The Matin Service was conducted by the Rev. A. J. D. Haupt.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the Fifth Session were read and approved.

The Rev. L. F. Gruber presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

In accordance with the action of Synod at last year's session at Platteville to have your Committee prepare some plans for the improvement of the Synod's finances and to report same for action at this session, we beg leave to make the following recommendations:

1. That Synod recommend to the different congregations the adoption of the Duplex Envelope, so as to develop regular and systematic giving for benevolences.

2. That Synod recommend to the different congregations to make payments monthly to the Treasurer of Synod for the various causes for which apportionments have been made.

3. That these various benevolences be paid in proportion to the amount apportioned, and that the Apportionment Committee place at the head of each column the relative percentage it sustains to the whole, but that this is not to interfere with special offerings for special causes.

4. That the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to send quarterly statements to the congregations as to the amounts paid, and the amount due.

Respectfully submitted,

L. F. Gruber.
Wm. Eckert.
A. J. D. Haupt.
Geo. Hemsing.

The report was received and the several items adopted.

The Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht presented the

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVIST.

All papers and documents received during the year have been placed on file.

We again urge all pastors and congregations to mail us complete files of parish papers.

G. KELLER RUBRECHT.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. H. K. Gebhart presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES.

Your Committee has examined the protocols of the Conferences and finds the records well kept and complete. The reports of the Secretaries are concise and contain such items as should be spread upon the printed Minutes of Synod.

Your Committee has examined the report of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Central Conference, and recommend that the report be inserted in the Synodical Minutes.

No report has been received from the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Eastern Conference, but we recommend that such report be inserted in the printed Minutes of Synod, after it has been submitted to the members of this Committee for examination.

Your Committee recommends that Sunday, Sept. 7, 1913, be designated General Council Day, and that all our pastors make a full presentation of the General Council on that date.

WM. K. FRICK.
H. K. GEBHART.
ANTON JOHNSON.
GEORGE H. SCHNUR.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Wm. H. Gable presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ABSENTEES AND EXCUSES.

The report was adopted and appears in tabulated form with the Roll of Synod on page 8.

The Rev. W. C. Stump presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROTOCOL AND PRINTED MINUTES.

Item 1.—Under report of itemized traveling expense, second column, Congregation No. 32, printed minutes has .32, which should read 7.32.

Item 2.—Under same report, on same page, last column, Congregation No. 12, printed minutes has 14.11 which should read 14.10.

Item 3.—Under Parochial Report—Organizations, in the Benevolence table, under Men's Societies, printed minutes has 50.00 which should read 20.00 for Redeemer, Milwaukee.

In view of the fact that the protocol in reality is usually not a copy of the Secretary's manuscript minutes but a copy of the printed minutes; furthermore, in view of the fact that the Committee on Printed Minutes and Protocol usually compares these two documents in search of changes or discrepancies and does not compare the printed minutes with the Secretary's manuscript minutes; furthermore, in view of the fact that it would be of great historical value to preserve many of the reports of Synod in the original manuscript form, therefore be it resolved,

1. That all officers' and committees' reports be written on uniform size paper, so ruled and perforated as to enable the Secretary of Synod to add comment and enable him to file the manuscript in a loose leaf ledger.

2. That the Secretary be authorized to draw up and have printed the necessary paper and be instructed to send paper to men at least one month before the meeting of Synod.

3. That the clerical members of the Committee on Protocol and Minutes be appointed to serve as a Standing Committee.

W. C. STUMP.
EARNEST COWDERY.
HARRY ISAACSON.
JOHN F. FEDDERS.

The report was received for consideration and the items adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That all reports in the future of officers and committees be typewritten, if possible, and a duplicate copy furnished the Secretary of Synod.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That in the future the Secretary be authorized to engage the services of a stenographer and typewriter during the sessions of Synod.

On motion, it was

Resolved, 1. That the men of the Church owe it to themselves and their families to substitute for the literature thrust by the world upon their homes for Sunday reading, the literature prepared by the Church for Sunday reading, and concerned with the Word of God and the many sided tasks of the Kingdom.

2. That the Synod calls attention to the fact that only in proportion as this is done may we hope to rear in our homes a generation fit and ready to co-operate in these tasks.

The Rev. L. F. Gruber presented the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION.

Your Committee has examined the Model Constitution for Congregations, and after due consideration begs leave to make the following report:

1. We recommend that another Section, 5, be added to Article VII, as follows: In voting on the question of withdrawal from the Synod, or on the election or resignation of a pastor, a list of the legal voters shall be called and the tellers shall collect their ballots. If anyone has good reason to doubt the right of a member to vote he may challenge the right as soon as the name is called until the voter's right be determined.

2. We recommend that, as a number of additions and changes to the Constitution were made in 1906, these additions and changes, together with the above addition, be incorporated in the next printed edition.

3. We recommend that when a new edition of the Model Constitution is printed the same be corrected as to certain linguistic obscurities and errors that are found therein.

Respectfully submitted,

L. F. GRUBER.
JAS. F. BEATES.
JOHN SANDER.

The report was received and ordered to be spread upon the Minutes, pending final consideration at the next meeting of Synod.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the matter of linguistic obscurities be referred to the Committee for clarification.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the rules of the Ministers' and Ministers' Widows'

and Orphans' Fund be reprinted in the Minutes, incorporating the changes made by Synod.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the amounts apportioned by Synod be considered the minimum.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer of Synod be asked hereafter to specify in detail the congregations in arrears to the Synodical and Traveling Expense Funds and report same in connection with his annual report to Synod.

With respect to the Funds for Superanuated Ministers' and Ministers' Widows and Orphans, the Rev. Dr. G. H. Trabert offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Forasmuch as some congregations have misunderstood the offer of the Hon. C. A. Smith on certain conditions to bring the fund to $10,000.00 which he did during the last convention, viz.: that then their obligations toward the fund would cease; therefore

Resolved, That we regard such construction on Mr. Smith's offer a mistake, and that it is expected that all ministers and congregations annually contribute to the fund as indicated in the Rules and Regulations.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a picture of the Rev. W. K. Frick, D.D., be included in the printed minutes of this convention.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Synod that no mission in the cities in the bounds of Synod should be asked to become self-sustaining by the English Home Mission Board until they are able to pay a salary equal to $1,200.00 per annum.

Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht presented the

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee held two meetings during the year. On Feb. 27, 1913, the Committee met in the Secretary's Study and took action on the following items:

1. The Board of English Home Missions of the General Council was asked to send a man to Elmwood, Winnipeg, to assist Bro. Baisler in developing this new mission point. The Board has granted this request, and a student will be on the field this summer.

2. The Committee recommended that Rev. Luther B. Deck, the newly elected Field Missionary of the Synod of the Northwest, take up the work in the University and Rice Streets district of St. Paul.

3. The President of Synod was authorized to take up the matter of a permanent pastor for Neenah with Western District Superintendent Hogshead. A man has been called to fill this important post.

4. It was decided that one evening at Synod be set aside in commemoration of the fortieth anniversary of the ordination of the Rev. W. K. Frick, D. D.

The second meeting of the Committee was held in the Church of the Redeemer, Zumbrota, Minn., May 22, 1913.

The mission field of Synod was carefully reviewed and a number of valuable suggestions are being held under consideration. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in the matter of the bond of the Treasurer of the Board of Control of the Ministers', Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, as provided in the amended Rule 9,

1. The Board be instructed to procure a safety deposit box, in the name of the Board, in which all securities are to be kept in such a way that they shall be accessible to the Treasurer of the Board only when accompanied by the President or the Secretary of the Board. This precaution should make it unnecessary to make the bond large enough to cover such securities.

2. That the Treasurer give bond in the amount of $1,000 for the faithful discharge of his duties in handling the funds of the Board which pass through his hands.

A. F. Elmquist.
Jas. F. Beates.
F. E. Cooper.
Geo. Hemsing.
V. L. Johnson.
G. Keller Rubrecht.

The report was adopted.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

The President appointed as tellers: For Clerical Delegates, the Revs. Wm. C. Stump and Carl C. Roth; for Lay Delegates, the Revs. Wm. S. Ulrich and Willis Beck.

The balloting for delegates resulted as follows:

CLERICAL DELEGATES.

Primarii—Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph.D.
Rev. W. K. Frick, D.D.
Rev. J. A. Beates.
Secundi—Rev. G. H. Trabert, D.D.
Rev. H. K. Gebhart.
Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht.

LAY DELEGATES.

Primarii—Mr. Geo. Hemsing.
Mr. J. K. Jensen.
Hon. C. A. Smith.
Secundi—Hon. V. L. Johnson.
Mr. Otto Monson.
Mr. W. E. Weiss.

The Rev. W. F. Rex, in behalf of the Church Council and congregation of the Church of the Atonement, Racine, Wis., extended an invitation for the next Convention of Synod.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the invitation be accepted.

In the election of Synod's representative on the General Council Board of English Home Missions the Secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the President of Synod, the Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph.D.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Constitution bring in a rule next year in connection with their report for the election of General Council delegates.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That 2,000 copies of the Minutes be printed, and that they be distributed pro rata to the congregations of Synod.

Synod adjourned with the Rev. L. F. Gruber leading in prayer.

The President pronounced the benediction.

SEVENTH SESSION.

Friday, May 23, 1:30 P. M.

The Rev. John S. Albert conducted the devotional service.

By action of Synod the Roll was not called. The Minutes of the Sixth Session were read and approved.

The President announced the Standing Committees for the year.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That this Synod express its hearty thanks to the pastor and members of the Church of the Redeemer for their kind and cordial entertainment of the members of the Synod during this convention, and that the Secretary be instructed to give the pastor of the congregation a copy of this resolution, to be read at its next regular service.

The Committee on Finances was discharged with thanks, by order of Synod.

The Rev. F. E. Cooper read a paper on the subject: "Shall Lutheran Pastors and Congregations join the Federation of Churches". Synod deemed the paper worthy of publication in tract form.

The President called the Rev. J. F. Beates to the Chair.

The time for the adjournment of Synod was set for 3:30 P. M.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the President appoint a committee to consider the advisability of organizing a Lutheran Tract Society for the Lutheran Church of the Northwest.

Committee, the Revs. L. F. Gruber, C. J. Rockey and Walter Krumwiede.

The Rev. C. P. Weiskotten read a carefully prepared paper on "How to Arouse a Deeper Interest in Missions".

The Minutes of the Seventh Session were read and approved.

After the singing of Hymn 274, the President closed the Convention according to the Order for Closing of Synod.

"Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

GEORGE KELLER RUBRECHT,
Secretary.

Minutes of the Ministerium.

Tuesday, May 20, 1913, 4:00 P. M.

The Ministerium was called to order by the President, and the Rev. H. K. Gebhart offered prayer.

The Rev. Dr. G. H. Trabert presented the

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee has before it the following young men, all graduates of our Theological Seminary at Chicago, who make application for ordination at this convention, viz: John Sutherland Albert, called to Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran church, Minneapolis; Walter Krumwiede, called to the Church of the Atonement, Beloit, Wis.; and Carl Cossman Roth, called to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, Red Wing, Minn.

Your Committee has examined them and heartily recommends them to the Ministerium and requests this body to recommend them for ordination.

GEORGE H. TRABERT, Chairman.
W. K. FRICK.
JAMES F. BEATES.
H. K. GEBHART.
J. SANDERS.

The report was received, considered seriatim and adopted.

The Ministerium adjourned to meet, if necessary, at the call of the President.

The President pronounced the benediction.

DIRECTORY

OF THE

ENGLISH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST.

For the Officers of Synod, the Executive Committee of Synod and Conference Officers see last cover page.

Board of Control of the Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund:

President—Justice A. Holt, Judge of Supreme Court of Minnesota. Minneapolis Minn Term expires 1916.

Secretary—Rev. G. H. Trabert, D.D., 610 W. 28th St., Minneapolis, Minnesota. Term expires 1914.

Treasurer—Mr. Otto Monson, 500 Germania Life Insurance Building, St. Paul, Minn. Term expires 1914.
Mr. Fred Swanson. Term expires 1915.
Hon. C. A. Smith, Oakland, Cal. Term expires 1915.

By action of Synod the Revs. W. L. Steckel and L. B. Deck, representing the Eastern and Central Conferences respectively, constitute a committee to maintain a continued interest in the Fund.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

ARCHIVIST.

Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, 999 Island Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

Chairman—Rev. G. H. Trabert, D.D., 610 W. 28th St., Minneapolis, Minn. Revs. W. K. Frick, D.D., H. K. Gebhart, W. F. Bacher, J. Sander, L.H.D., Jas. F. Beates, F. E. Cooper.

COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Chairman—Rev. L. F. Gruber, 2910 Lyndale Ave. N., Minneapolis, Minn. Rev. Luther B. Deck, Rev. Wm. S. Ulrich.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION.

Chairman — Rev. J. Sander, L.H.D., Lindstrom, Minn., Rev. L. F. Gruber, Rev. Jas. F. Beates.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE.

Chairman—Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, 999 Island Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. Revs. A. J. D. Haupt, D.D., Luther B. Deck, L. W. Steckel.

LITURGICAL COMMITTEE.

Chairman—Rev. G. H. Schnur, 749 Marshall Ave., St. Paul, Minn. Revs. Luther B. Deck, E. O. Hoffmeister, Walter Krumwiede.

COMMITTEE ON JUBILEE.

Chairman—Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph.D., 1517 Portland Ave., Minneapolis, Minn. Rev. Jas. F. Beates, Rev. F. E. Cooper. Messrs. F. W. Genz, Geo. Eckstrand, Wm. Peiper.

COMMITTEE ON STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY.

Chairman—Rev. H. K. Gebhart, 359 Ridge St., Kenosha, Wis. Revs. W. K. Frick, D.D., G. H. Trabert, D.D., C. J. Rockey.

COMMITTEE ON PROTOCOL AND PRINTED MINUTES.

Chairman—Rev. W. C. Stump, 170 Wisconsin Ave., Oshkosh, Wis. Rev. A. J. Holl.

COMMITTEE ON HOME FINDING SOCIETY FOR THE CENTRAL CONFERENCE.

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Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht.
Mr. J. K. Jensen. Mr. Geo. Hemsing.
Mr. Frank Berg. Mr. H. F. Mueller.
Mr. Gustav Fox. Mr. Jno. F. Pergande.

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Mr. W. E. Weiss.

Statistical Tables.

*APPORTIONMENT TABLE—1913-14.

	CONGREGATIONS		Members in Good Std'g	Synodical Expense	Chicago Seminary	Ministerial Education	Home Missions	Church Extension	Foreign Missions	Porto Rico Missions	Slav Missions	Univ. Student Work	German Home Missions	Jewish Missions.	Inner Missions.	†Totals (include Traveling exp.)
	** Percentage of Total			6.3	17.1	2.3	28.5	9.7	13.6	5.7	2.3	5.7	1.1	1.7	1.1	
	MINNESOTA.															
1	Albert Lea	Salem	105	$ 8 40	$23 00	$ 3 00	$38 30	$13 00	$18 50	$ 7 70	$3 00	$ 7 70	$ 1 50	$ 2 30	$ 1 50	$134 82
2	Cannon Falls	First English	80	6 40	17 50	2 30	29 20	10 00	14 00	5 80	2 30	5 80	1 20	1 70	1 20	97 40
3	Duluth	St. John's	144	11 60	31 50	4 20	52 40	17 80	25 30	10 50	4 20	10 50	2 10	3 10	2 10	184 79
4	Goodhue	St. Luke's	100	8 00	22 00	2 90	36 50	12 40	17 50	7 30	2 90	7 30	1 50	2 20	1 50	122 00
5	Lindstrom	Trinity	158	12 70	34 50	4 60	57 50	19 60	27 60	11 50	4 60	11 50	2 30	3 50	2 30	202 61
6	Minneapolis	Holy Communion	60	4 80	13 10	1 70	21 90	7 40	10 50	4 40	1 70	4 40	90	1 30	90	76 95
7	Minneapolis	Holy Trinity	186	14 90	40 60	5 40	67 80	23 10	32 50	13 60	5 40	13 60	2 70	4 10	2 70	238 65
8	Minneapolis	Redeemer	100	8 00	22 00	2 90	36 50	12 40	17 50	7 30	2 90	7 30	1 50	2 20	1 50	128 59
9	Minneapolis	St. John's	398	32 00	87 00	11 70	145 30	49 50	69 80	29 00	11 60	29 00	5 80	8 70	5 80	511 42
10	Minneapolis	St. Mark's	302	24 20	66 00	8 80	110 20	37 50	52 90	22 00	8 80	22 00	4 40	6 60	4 40	387 10
11	Minneapolis	Salem	385	30 90	84 20	11 20	140 40	47 80	67 40	28 10	11 20	28 10	5 60	8 40	5 60	494 26
12	North St. Paul	St. Mark's	50	4 00	10 90	1 50	18 20	6 20	8 70	3 60	1 50	3 60	70	1 10	70	63 99
13	Red Wing	St. Paul's	354	28 40	77 50	10 30	129 00	43 70	62 00	25 80	10 30	25 80	5 20	7 70	5 20	454 22
14	St. Paul	Holy Trinity	201	16 20	44 00	5 90	73 30	24 90	35 20	14 70	5 90	14 70	2 90	4 40	2 90	258 24
15	St. Paul	Reformation	510	41 00	111 60	15 00	186 00	63 20	89 20	37 20	15 00	37 20	7 40	11 10	7 40	654 90
16	Stacy	St. John's	28	2 20	6 10	80	10 20	3 50	5 00	2 00	80	2 00	40	60	40	35 83
17	Zumbrota	Redeemer	75	6 00	16 50	2 20	27 30	9 30	13 10	5 50	2 20	5 50	1 10	1 60	1 10	91 40
	MONTANA															
18	Livingston	Redeemer	50	4 00	10 90	1 50	18 20	6 20	8 70	3 60	1 50	3 60	70	1 10	70	63 99
	NORTH DAKOTA															
19	Fargo	St. Mark's	290	23 30	63 50	8 50	105 90	36 00	50 70	21 20	8 50	21 20	4 20	6 40	4 20	372 70
	WISCONSIN															
20	Afton	Holy Trinity	18	1 40	4 00	50	6 50	2 20	3 10	1 30	50	1 30	30	40	30	22 98
21	Beloit	Atonement	80	6 40	17 50	2 30	29 20	10 00	14 00	5 80	2 30	5 80	1 20	1 80	1 20	102 77
22	Cedarburg	Advent	77	6 20	16 80	2 20	28 00	9 60	13 50	5 60	2 20	5 60	1 10	1 70	1 10	98 67
23	Janesville	St. Peter's	175	14 00	38 40	5 10	63 90	21 70	30 60	12 80	5 10	12 80	2 50	3 80	2 50	224 73
24	Kenosha	Grace	253	20 30	55 40	7 40	92 30	31 40	44 30	18 50	7 40	18 50	3 70	5 50	3 70	325 07
25	La Crosse	Holy Trinity	140	11 20	30 70	4 10	51 10	17 30	24 50	10 20	4 10	10 20	2 00	3 00	2 00	179 62
26	Madison	Holy Trinity	126	10 10	27 50	3 70	46 00	15 60	22 00	9 20	3 70	9 20	1 80	2 80	1 80	161 70
27	Marshall		30	2 40	6 50	90	10 90	3 70	5 20	2 20	90	2 20	40	60	40	38 27
28	Middleton	First English	43	3 50	9 50	1 20	15 70	5 30	7 50	3 10	1 20	3 10	60	90	60	55 03
29	Milwaukee	Epiphany	380	30 50	83 10	11 10	138 70	47 20	66 60	27 70	11 10	27 70	5 50	8 30	5 50	488 03
30	Milwaukee	Lake Park	50	4 00	11 00	1 50	18 20	6 20	8 70	3 60	1 50	3 60	70	1 10	70	63 99
31	Milwaukee	Redeemer	420	33 70	92 00	12 30	153 30	52 00	73 50	30 70	12 30	30 70	6 10	9 20	6 10	539 57
32	Milwaukee	Reformation	370	29 70	81 00	10 80	135 00	45 90	64 80	27 00	10 80	27 00	5 40	8 10	5 40	475 27
33	Neenah - Menasha		60	4 80	13 10	1 70	21 90	7 40	10 50	4 40	1 70	4 40	90	1 30	90	76 95
34	Oshkosh	St. John's	108	8 70	23 60	3 20	39 30	13 40	18 90	7 90	3 20	7 90	1 60	2 30	1 60	138 71
35	Platteville	First	210	16 90	46 00	6 10	76 50	26 00	36 80	15 30	6 10	15 30	3 10	4 60	3 10	269 63
36	Racine	Atonement	206	16 50	45 10	6 00	75 00	25 60	36 20	15 10	6 00	15 10	3 00	4 50	3 00	264 67
37	Racine	Holy Communion	382	30 70	83 60	11 10	139 40	47 40	66 90	27 90	11 10	27 90	5 60	8 40	5 60	490 76
38	Superior	Holy Trinity	93	7 50	20 30	2 70	33 90	11 50	16 30	6 80	2 70	6 80	1 40	2 00	1 40	119 42
39	Waterloo	St. Paul's	72	5 80	15 70	2 10	26 20	8 90	12 60	5 20	2 10	5 20	1 00	1 60	1 00	92 14
	CANADA															
40	Winnipeg	First English	75	6 00	16 50	2 20	27 30	9 30	13 10	5 50	2 20	5 50	1 10	1 60	1 10	96 34
	***Totals		6944	$557 30	$1519 70	$202 60	$2532 10	$861 10	$1215 70	$506 60	$202 60	$506 60	$101 10	$151 10	$101 10	$8898 18

* These apportionments, with the exception of Synodical Expenses and Traveling Expenses, shall not b interpreted as a tax imposed upon the congregation by Synod. They are set as a minimum standard of th congregation's duty toward the general work of the Church. The amount apportioned is on the basis o $1.2834 p r member.

** This percentage is shown in order to facilitate division of monthly remittances to Treasurer of Syno (See Report of Finance Committee).

*** The apportionment table is worked out on the basis of the report of the Statistical Committee, i which report the two congregations admitted to Synod do not appear (See Statistical Report). In the appo tionment table these two congregations are included. Hence the total in membership is larger and the total in apportioned sums exceed the adopted recommendations of the Apportionment Committee.

† For Detailed Traveling Expense Statement see next page.

Itemized Traveling Expense Report.

	CONGREGATIONS.	Clergy	Lay	*Total Travel'g Expense	**Total plus 10 per cent.	Amount Apportioned	***Amount due Synod	Amount Due Congregation
	MINNESOTA							
1	Albert Lea.....Salem	$3 00	$4 00	$7 00	$7 70	6 92	.....	08
2	Cannon Falls.....First English	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	Duluth.....St. John.s	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 49	9 49	.....
4	Goodhue.....St. Luke's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	Lindstrom.....Trinity	5 30	6 32	11 62	12 78	10 41	.....	1 21
6	Minneapolis.....Holy Communion	2 32	4 62	6 94	7 63	3 65	.....	2 99
7	Minneapolis.....Holy Trinity	4 62	.....	4 62	5 08	12 25	7 63	.....
8	Minneapolis.....Redeemer	2 32	.....	2 32	2 55	6 59	4 27	.....
9	Minneapolis.....St. John's	2 32	4 62	6 94	7 63	26 22	19 28	.....
10	Minneapolis.....St. Mark's	2 32	4 62	6 94	7 63	19 90	12 96	.....
11	Minneapolis.....Salem	2 32	4 62	6 94	7 63	25 36	18 42	.....
12	North St. Paul.....St. Mark's	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 29	3 29	.....
13	Red Wing.....St. Paul's	1 56	.....	1 56	1 71	23 32	21 76	.....
14	St. Paul.....Holy Trinity	2 10	4 02	6 12	6 73	13 24	7 12	.....
15	St. Paul.....Reformation	2 10	4 02	6 12	6 73	33 60	27 48	.....
16	Stacy.....St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 83	1 83	.....
17	Zumbrota.....Redeemer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	MONTANA							
18	Livingston.....Redeemer	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 29	3 29	.....
	NORTH DAKOTA							
19	Fargo.....St. Mark's	18 52	18 52	37 04	40 74	19 10	.....	17 49
	WISCONSIN							
20	Afton.....Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 18	1 18	.....
21	Beloit.....Atonement	14 52	.....	14 52	15 97	5 27	.....	9 25
22	Cedarburg.....Advent	14 84	.....	14 84	16 32	5 07	.....	9 77
23	Janesville.....St. Peter's	13 06	13 06	26 12	28 73	11 53	.....	14 59
24	Kenosha.....Grace	14 76	14 76	29 52	32 47	16 67	.....	12 85
25	La Crosse.....Holy Trinity	6 18	.....	6 18	6 79	9 22	3 04	.....
26	Madison.....Holy Trinity	11 48	11 48	22 96	25 25	8 30	.....	14 66
27	Marshall.....Holy Trinity	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 97	1 97	.....
28	Middleton.....First English	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 83	2 83	.....
29	Milwaukee.....Epiphany	13 76	13 76	27 52	30 27	25 03	.....	2 49
30	Milwaukee.....Lake Park	13 76	13 76	27 52	30 27	3 29	.....	24 23
31	Milwaukee.....Redeemer	13 76	.....	13 76	15 13	27 67	13 91	.....
32	Milwaukee.....Reformation	13 76	13 76	27 52	30 27	24 37	.....	3 15
33	Neenah-Menasha.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 95	3 95	.....
34	Oshkosh.....St. John's	13 44	.....	13 44	14 78	7 11	.....	6 33
35	Platteville.....First	12 44	.....	12 44	13 68	13 83	1 39	.....
36	Racine.....Atonement	14 76	.....	14 76	16 23	13 57	.....	1 19
37	Racine.....Holy Communion	15 40	.....	15 40	16 94	25 16	9 76	.....
38	Superior.....Holy Trinity	6 10	.....	6 10	6 71	6 12	02	.....
39	Waterloo.....St. Paul's	11 90	11 90	23 80	26 18	4 74	.....	19 06
	CANADA							
40	Winnipeg.....First English	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 94	4 94	.....
	Totals.....	$252 72	$147 84	$400 56	$440 53	$440 58	$180 01	$139 79

* The amount apportioned for traveling expenses is 4.9 per cent. of the total apportionment.

** By action of Synod, 10 per cent. was added to the actual traveling expenses as a basis for apportionment.

*** Congregations shall remit to the Treasurer of Synod the amount given in this column.

PAROCHIAL REPORT — MEMBERSHIP

Index No.	CONGREGATIONS Names and Locations	PASTORS Names and Addresses	Organized	Catechumens	Students for the Ministry	No. Communed	In Good Standing	Confirmed	Baptized	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	ACCESSIONS: Confirmations	ACCESSIONS: From Lutheran Congregations	ACCESSIONS: Renewal of Faith	ACCESSIONS: Restoration	LOSSES: Death	LOSSES: Transfer	LOSSES: Otherwise	NET: Loss	NET: Gain	Index Number
	MINNESOTA																				
1	Albert Lea, Salem.....309 W. Clark St.	A. J. D. Haupt, D. D. 1008 Frank St.	1907	15	3	105	105	136	228	10	2	10	6	8	...	..	2	5	..	19	1
2	Cannon Falls, First English.....	Willis Beck, Zumbrota.....	1900	9	....	79	80	100	160	4	..	9	6	..	..	..	..	6	..	9	2
3	Duluth, St. John's, Lake Ave., North and 3d.....	.....	1890	14	....	125	144	375	600	19	5	14	4	..	..	2	4	10	..	7	3
4	Goodhue, St. Luke's.....	Willis Beck, Zumbrota.....	1897	15	....	85	100	125	200	12	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	5	4
5	Lindstrom, Trinity.....	John Sander, L. H. D.....	1901	26	....	131	158	214	382	7	1	25	7	5	..	..	10	13	..	15	5
6	Minneapolis, Holy Communion.....41st Av. S. and 32d St.....	Luther B. Deck, 3012 29th Av. So.....	1909	10	....	66	60	77	302	12	2	6	..	15	..	..	..	5	..	18	6
7	Holy Trinity, 29th Av. S. and 29th St.	John S. Albert, 2820 28th Av. So.....	1905	58	....	226	186	219	615	40	8	33	1	20	3	1	3	15	..	46	7
8	Redeemer, Western and Irving Avs.	C. J. Rockey, 1723 Western Av.....	1909	27	....	134	100	164	375	17	2	24	1	25	..	..	3	..	..	49	8
9	St. John's, Chicago Av. and 17th St.	A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D. 1517 Portland Ave.....	1883	20	....	351	398	481	661	33	1	20	9	20	11	2	8	30	..	21	9
10	St. Mark's, Lyndale and 23d Avs. N.	L. F. Gruber, 2910 Lyndale Av. No....	1902	39	....	235	302	453	805	25	2	34	2	22	..	5	6	27	..	22	10
11	Salem, Garfield Av. and W. 28th St.	Geo. H. Trabert, D. D., 610 W. 28th St.	1890	32	....	333	385	546	826	40	2	22	11	19	..	6	..	28	..	20	11
12	North St. Paul, St. Mark's.....	.....	1890	10	....	56	50	135	235	..	..	10	..	..	..	2	2	6	..	..	12
13	Red Wing, St. Paul's, ...West Ave.	Carl C. Roth.....	1886	36	....	258	354	371	589	26	2	39	6	12	1	4	7	2	..	47	13
14	St. Paul, Holy Trinity Ada & Robie St.	James F. Beates, 220 E. Robie St.....	1886	36	....	259	201	337	575	13	1	21	2	10	..	..	..	30	..	4	14
15	Reformation, Laurel Av. and Oxford St.....	Wm. F. Bacher, 1660 Ashland Av..... Geo. H. Schnur, 749 Marshall Ave.....	1883	35	....	430	510	735	1000	17	..	20	2	5	3	10	6	6	..	8	15
16	Stacy, St John's.....	.....	1904	1	....	44	28	54	79	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	16
17	Zumbrota, Redeemer.....	Willis Beck.....	1905	22	....	75	75	115	190	17	..	10	9	..	..	1	2	10	..	6	17
	MONTANA																				
18	Livingston, Redeemer.....	F. W. Klingensmith.....	1906	4	....	34	50	50	69	5	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	8	5	5	18
	NORTH DAKOTA																				
19	Fargo, St. Mark's, 4th Av. & 8th St. N	W. S. Ulrich, 714 Fourth Ave. No.....	1886	38	....	287	287	397	623	26	4	15	1	38	..	1	6	5	..	46	19
	WISCONSIN																				
20	Afton, Holy Trinity.....	Walter Krumwiede, Beloit.....	1908	..	....	15	18	21	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	20
21	Beloit, Atonement, Harrison Av. and Clark St.....	Walter Krumwiede, 848 Park Ave.....	1905	21	....	65	80	153	343	13	..	5	1	4	..	..	4	..	..	6	21
22	Cedarburg, Advent.....	T. F. Weiskotten.....	1904	3	....	75	77	83	128	5	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	22

23	Janesville, St. Peter's, Center and S. Jackson Sts.	E. O. Hoffmeister, 108 Forest Pk Blvd.	1903	23	1	192	175	289	489	14	2	8	3	21	..	2	..	..	..	32	23
24	Kenosha, Grace Prairie and Lyman Av	H. K. Gebhart, 359 Ridge St.	1901	37	....	232	253	311	547	34	2	35	..	14	5	1	3	32	..	19	24
25	La Crosse, Holy Trinity, West Av. and Ferry St.	W. P. Christy, 1122 Ferry St.	1898	23	....	137	140	182	415	25	1	..	5	3	..	2	1	25	19	..	25
26	Madison, Holy Trinity	H. R. Gold, 414 No. Henry St.	1907	15	....	94	126	133	241	18	..	9	5	14	..	..	4	12	..	13	26
27	Middleton, First English	H. R. Gold, Madison, Wis.	1908	5	....	56	43	52	77	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	27
28	Milwaukee, Epiphany, 2d & Clarke Sts	G. Keller Rubrecht, 999 Island Ave.	1905	110	2	350	380	444	1051	33	3	36	1	33	..	4	21	29	..	19	28
29	Lake Park, Park Pl. & Stowell Ave.	F. E. Cooper, 621 Prospect Ave.	1911	20	....	44	50	50	77	3	..	2	3	9	..	..	..	..	..	14	29
30	Redeemer, 16th St. and Grand Ave.	Wm. K. Frick, D. D., 2305 Cedar St.	1890	45	....	370	430	576	700	15	3	20	13	6	..	5	5	26	..	6	30
31	Reformation, ..35th and Elm Sts	A. J. Holl, 3311½ Elm St.	1908	41	....	357	370	500	900	24	4	51	12	35	..	1	..	..	..	101	31
32	Oshkosh, St. John's, Wisconsin Ave. and Union St.	Wm. C. Stump, 170 Wisconsin Ave.	1907	5	....	102	108	157	235	11	2	8	2	12	..	..	..	2	..	32	32
33	Platteville, First, 4th and Mineral Sts.	L. W. Steckel, 325 Bayley Ave.	1902	11	....	160	210	247	368	13	1	12	4	5	..	..	..	9	..	13	33
34	Racine, Atonement, Wright & Quincy Aves	W. F. Rex, 2911 Wright Ave.	1909	42	....	178	206	269	570	23	1	22	21	15	..	1	2	14	..	42	34
35	Holy Communion, Washington Av. and Tenth St.	John F. Fedders, 716 Park Ave.	1898	60	2	470	382	492	836	31	3	25	9	1	..	10	12	69	53	..	35
36	Superior, Holy Trinity, John Av. and 18th St.	Wm. H. Gable, 1728 John Ave.	1905	14	....	75	93	135	418	13	2	16	1	9	..	..	..	13	..	15	36
37	Waterloo, St. Paul's	C. P. Weiskotten	1906	9	....	80	72	79	130	4	..	6	5	..	..	1	6	1	..	3	37
	CANADA																				
38	Winnipeg, First English, Maryland St. and Ellice Av.	P. E. Baisler, 573 Maryland St.	1905	16	....	82	75	112	275	14	..	12	10	15	..	..	5	..	..	32	38
		Totals for 1913		942	8	6447	6864	9440	16364	618	57	602	162	395	23	64	122	452	80	681	
		Totals for 1912		955	4	5908	6836	8839	15672	499	59	667	155	352	24	59	89	313	....	....	
		Decrease		13	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	65	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	
		Increase			4	539	28	601	692	119	....	....	7	43	....	5	33	139	....	601	

PAROCHIAL REPORT — FINANCES.

Index No.	Value of Property	CONGREGATIONAL: Current Expenses	CONGREGATIONAL: Extraordinary Expenses	CONGREGATIONAL: Total for Local Objects	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS — SYNODICAL: Synodical Expenses	SYNODICAL: Traveling Expenses	SYNODICAL: Ministerial Relief Fund	SYNODICAL: * Chicago Seminary	SYNODICAL: Ministerial Education	GENERAL COUNCL: † Home Missions	GENERAL COUNCL: Church Extension	GENERAL COUNCL: Foreign Missions	GENERAL COUNCL: Porto Rico Missions	GENERAL COUNCL: Slav Missions	GENERAL COUNCL: University Student Work	Other Benevolences	Total Benevolences	TOTAL AND AVERAGE: Grand Total	TOTAL AND AVERAGE: Average per Member
Minnesota																			
1	$ 3500	$1529 79	$400 05	1929 84	$5 70	$25 96	$13 77	$21 30	$2 90	$35 50	$12 10	$17 00	$ 7 10	$2 90	$7 20	6 10	$ 157 53	$ 2087 37	$19 87
2	3000	400 00	.....	400 00	4 40	6 57	4 00	24 25	.....	10 03	.....	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	59 25	459 25	5 74
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* In the case of some congregations the amount collected by the special representative of the Seminary is not included in the above.
† For contributions to Jewish Missions, German Home Missions, etc. see Treasurer's Report.

PAROCHIAL REPORT—ORGANIZATIONS.

Index Number	CONGREGATIONS	SUNDAY SCHOOLS				WOMEN'S SOCIETIES				LUTHER LEAGUES				MEN'S SOCIETIES			
		Membership		Contributions		Membership		Contributions		Membership		Contributions		Membership		Contributions	
		Enrollment	Average Attendance	Local Objects	Benevolence	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Local Objects	Benevolence	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Local Objects	Benevolence	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Local Objects	Benevolence
	MINNESOTA.																
1	Albert Lea.....Salem	100	80	$ 174 25	$49 38	41	35	$ 293 75	$40 00	20	15	$24 65	$10 50	....	....	.....	.....
2	Cannon Falls.....First English	70	45	40 00	.....	30	25	125 00	25 00	35	25	25 00	.....	....	....	.....	.....
3	Duluth.....St. John's	200	145	167 33	15 00	30	15	320 90	35 00	21	15	47 35	.....	....	....	.....	.....
4	Goodhue.....St. Luke's	50	25	15 00	.....	85	25	100 00	.....	40	30	25 00	50 00	....	....	.....	.....
5	Lindstrom.....Trinity	185	112	161 52	.....	36	26	530 26	11 10	20	16	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
6	Minneapolis.....Holy Communion	175	95	60 00	45 33	18	12	40 00	39 63	....	..	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
7	Minneapolis.....Holy Trinity	286	168	119 70	134 37	46	16	113 06	75 00	36	19	10 00	.....	....	....	.....	.....
8	Minneapolis.....Redeemer	292	177	170 09	149 09	36	22	98 13	48 46	38	20	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
9	Minneapolis.....St. John's	160	138	351 89	30 00	90	43	468 53	52 00	60	27	27 87	.....	....	....	.....	.....
10	Minneapolis.....St. Mark's	409	225	330 95	76 52	33	18	163 74	43 00	48	30	32 70	30 00	15	9	35 00	.....
11	Minneapolis.....Salem	310	183	191 61	140 00	50	25	215 17	75 00	25	12	8 00	30 00	15	8	15 00	.....
12	North St. Paul.....St. Mark's	65	30	30 00	.....	15	12	38 46	2 00	30	15	21 00	.....	....	....	.....	.....
13	Red Wing.....St. Paul's	180	127	80 00	.....	80	60	218 72	25 00	30	25	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
14	St. Paul.....Holy Trinity	252	128	161 02	92 02	51	17	155 06	52 00	50	25	69 83	.....	20	14	22 50	.....
15	St. Paul.....Reformation	300	200	284 50	106 24	120	80	745 01	94 00	175	35	291 06	46 38	....	....	.....	.....
16	Stacy.....St. John's	60	38	48 37	2 70	31	18	97 44	7 32	20	11	58 80	3 00	....	....	.....	.....
17	Zumbrota.....Redeemer	70	50	75 00	....	25	15	900 00	13 00	....	..	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
	MONTANA																
18	Livingston.....Redeemer	53	35	84 79	47 84	18	12	460 00	.....	....	..	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
	NORTH DAKOTA																
19	Fargo.....St. Mark's	282	150	299 91	75 00	88	12	874 48	81 29	30	20	85 00	.....	....	....	.....	.....
	WISCONSIN																
20	Afton.....Holy Trinity	....	....	.....	.....	....	..	.....	.....	....	..	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
21	Beloit.....Atonement	96	60	68 96	1 06	38	30	163 70	20 50	21	15	26 00	.....	....	....	.....	.....
22	Cedarburg.....Advent	45	38	35 00	.....	24	20	445 00	25 00	10	10	15 02	.....	....	....	.....	.....
23	Janesville.....St. Peter's	200	90	135 19	61 28	24	12	144 50	35 00	26	11	22 14	15 00	....	....	.....	.....
24	Kenosha.....Grace	314	183	367 62	.....	92	48	478 51	61 17	24	14	5 80	.....	32	18	35 61	.....

25	La Crosse.....Holy Trinity	170	140	98 00	12 73	44	30	.....	.....	25	18	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
26	Madison.....Holy Trinity	93	62	100 55	49 47	33	12	110 56	24 03	117	69	52 11	15 00	20	16	15 40	.....
27	Middleton.....First English	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
28	Milwaukee.....Epiphany	630	338	685 17	92 64	40	25	591 67	22 38	25	20	15 00	.....	25	18	.....	.....
29	Milwaukee.....Lake Park	93	50	75 00	37 47	21	15	2000 00	21 00	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
30	Milwaukee.....Redeemer	215	118	228 00	164 03	64	38	99 72	139 37	23	13	6 00	.....	10	8	4 50	.....
31	Milwaukee.....Reformation	375	255	600 00	70 00	67	35	435 00	40 00	....	....	.....	.....	47	40	.....	.....
32	Oshkosh.....St. John's	90	59	104 02	.....	22	12	261 33	20 00	20	13	21 26	5 24	...	....	.....	.....
33	Platteville.....First	90	55	77 58	.....	42	40	150 35	.....	18	8	8 70	.....	....	....	.....	.....
34	Racine.....Atonement	316	188	340 99	35 00	80	70	603 49	60 00	71	53	91 04	.....	42	29	31 20	.....
35	Racine.....Holy Communion	462	311	256 00	275 00	100	60	350 00	115 00	....	....	.....	.....	36	21	50 00	.....
36	Superior.....Holy Trinity	130	75	71 00	15 00	34	16	209 04	7 00	25	20	30 00	11 00	....	....	.....	.....
37	Waterloo.....St. Paul's	65	50	190 90	.....	21	16	539 43	8 10	12	8	20 00	2 65	...	....	.....	.....
	CANADA																
38	Winnipeg.....First English	155	78	136 00	32 05	18	12	60 40	30 00	55	25	55 55	14 75	....	....	.....	.....
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	Increase.....	.....	60	670 95	267 62	18	.....	2946 53	328 67	.....	....	.....	68 88	7	14	137 78	.....

FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE EASTERN CONFERENCE.

The Fourth Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Eastern Conference was held in St. John's Church, Oshkosh, Wis., Tuesday, Oct. 8th, 1912.

OFFICERS.

President—Mrs. H. K. Gebhart, 359 Ridge St., Kenosha, Wis.

1st Vice-President—Mrs. A. F. Sperling, 707 37th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

2nd Vice-President—Mrs. A. W. Bogk, 680 Maryland Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.

3rd Vice-President—Mrs. Franklin Raab, 782 Stowell Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. William Eckert, Maywood, Ill.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. George Hemsing, 2811 State Street, Milwaukee, Wis.

Treasurer—Mrs. W. C. Stump, 170 Wisconsin Ave., Oshkosh, Wis.

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Mrs. W. K. Frick, 2305 Cedar St., Milwaukee, Wis.
Mrs. J. S. Knowlton, Waterloo, Wis.
Mrs. L. Krause, Beloit, Wis.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.

LITERATURE—
Mrs. James Maitland, 423 Newberry Blvd., Milwaukee, Wis.

LIFE AND MEMORIAM—
Mrs. E. O. Hoffmeister, Janesville, Wis.

MISSION STUDY CLASSES—
Miss Cora Thompson, Beloit, Wis.

FOREIGN AND MEDICAL MISSIONS—
Mrs. R. Muscheid, La Crosse, Wis.

HOME MISSIONS—
Mrs. C. P. Weiskotten, Waterloo, Wis.

INNER MISSIONS—
Mrs. A. F. Sperling, 707 37th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

PORTO RICO MISSIONS—
Mrs. Frank Hemsing, 3004 State St., Milwaukee, Wis.

INDIA LACES—
Mrs. A. W. Bogk, 680 Maryland Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.

INDIA BOXES—
Mrs. L. A. Anderson, Madison, Wis.

POST CARDS—
Mrs. Henry Schambow, Platteville, Wis.

MISSIONARY EXHIBIT—
Mrs. W. F. Rex, 2911 Wright Ave., Racine, Wis.

JUNIOR WORK—
Mrs. Fred J. Schuette, Cedarburg, Wis.

All of the thirteen congregations in the Eastern Conference were represented; five of the societies are Ladies' Aid and Missionary Societies, eight are distinctively missionary organizations.

Membership, adult	382
Membership, juniors	35
Annual fees	$ 47.80
Home Missions	289.50
Slovak Missions	35.00
Inner Missions	91.50
Porto Rico Missions	5.00
India Missions	193.90
Hospital and Medical Missions	20.25
India Boxes (value of)	69.85
India laces	583.81
Post Cards	1.77
Other objects	104.64
Life Membership and Memoriam (part payment	5.00
	$948.02

COPIES OF PAPERS TAKEN.

"Mission Worker"	(copies of paper taken)		185
"Home Missionary"	"	"	102
"Foreign Missionary"	"	"	166
"Monthly Program"	"	"	96

Number of Mission Study Classes, 3.
Missions taught in Sunday schools, 3.
Pages missionary literature distributed, 654.

All departments of work were reported either by the chairman herself or by a delegate representing her society.

One hundred and thirteen dollars was reported towards the $15,000 Home Mission Fund. All societies were urged to give this matter prayerful and immediate attention, and by the first of the year to come up to the average of $1.00 per member.

Lake Park Missionary Society, of Milwaukee, Rev. F. E. Cooper, pastor, was received into membership.

The following papers were read during the Convention:

"The Bible in the Missionary Society," Mrs. R. Muschied.

"Prayer in the Missionary Society," Mrs. J. Schuette.

"How to Interest the Individual", Mrs. Thomas W. Boyce.

"Missionary Training in the Home", Mrs. Lewis Austin.

"Missionary Training in the Sunday School", Mrs. F. J. Schuette.

"The Money Problem", Mrs. C. C. Olsen.

"The Worker Problem", Mrs. Rehrig.

Conference will continue to support a native woman to oversee the lace industry in India.

It was unanimously decided to require Junior Missionary Societies to send in yearly statistical reports.

The evening offering, amounting to $27.00, was voted to Porto Rico Missions.

Post cards of India and Japan were sold during the Convention amounting to $7.75.

The evening session was devoted to addresses by Dr. John Teleen, on the subject of "Porto Rico", and Rev. P. W. Roth, on "The Deaconess".

MRS. WM. ECKERT,
Recording Secretary.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE CENTRAL CONFERENCE.

The Seventh Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Central Conference was held in Salem Church, Minneapolis, the Rev. George H. Trabert, D. D., pastor, October 9 and 10, 1912. Fifty-nine delegates, representing seventeen societies, were present.

The following constituted the program:

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON:

"India", Mrs. G. Ekstrand.

"Porto Rico", Mrs. A. E. Anderson.

"Japan", Mrs. G. H. Rapps.

WEDNESDAY EVENING:

"OUR HOME MISSION FIELD".

Address—"In the King's Dominion", Rev. P. E. Baisler.

Address—"In the Northwestern States", Rev. L. B. Deck.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON:

"Inner Mission Work", Mrs. G. H. Trabert.

The finances were reported as follows:

EXPENSE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, October 1, 1911	$99.52	
Dues from societies	38.50	
Total		$138.02

EXPENDITURES.

Woman's H. & F. M. Society Memorial at Livingston	$50.00	
Dues to General Council Missionary Society	5.00	
Report in Mission Worker	5.00	
Programs, postage, etc	24.50	
Total		$ 84.50
Balance, October 1, 1912		$ 53.52

MISSIONARY FUND.

Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1911	$91.38
Convention offerings	36.40
From Albert Lea	46.20
" Duluth	35.00
" Lindstrom	9.10
" Red Wing	50.00
" Winnipeg	10.00
" Superior	5.00
" Stacy	3.45
" Minneapolis, Holy Trinity	20.00
" " Salem	20.00
" " Holy Communion	9.00
" " St. John's	15.00
" " St. Mark's	10.00
" " Redeemer	5.00
" St. Paul, St. James'	43.00
" " Memorial	74.10
" " Holy Trinity	12.00
Total	$413.25

ON SYNODICAL APPORTIONMENT.

From Redeemer, Minneapolis	$25.50
" St. Mark's "	8.00
" Memorial, St. Paul	25.00
" Holy Trinity "	18.00
Total	$ 76.50
Grand total receipts	$581.13

APPROPRIATIONS.

ON SYNODICAL APPORTIONMENT.

Toward Foreign Missions	$17.50
" Home Missions	30.00
" Porto Rico Missions	23.00
" Slav Missions	3.00
" Church Extension	3.00
Total	$ 76.50

TO CREDIT OF SOCIETY.

To Slav Missions	$18.00
" Minneapolis Hospice	30.25
" Rev. H. R. Gold, Madison, Wis	5.00
" Albert Lea, Girl's Scholarship (F. M.)	15.00
" Zanana Work, Duluth Pledge	22.50

" Girl's Scholarship, Mrs. P. N. Peterson's Pledge,	15.00	
" Girls' Scholarship, Mrs. P. N. Peterson's Pledge,	15.00	
" Mrs. H. W. Knauff's Memorial	25.00	
" Foreign Missions	100.00	
" Porto Rico Missions	19.00	
Total		$274.75
Grand total		$351.25
Balance on hand October 1, 1912		$229.88

THE BALANCE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING.

Home Missions	$162.53
Foreign Missions	38.15
Porto Rico Missions	14.20
Albert Lea Scholarship	15.00
Total	$229.88

The following business was transacted:

That the Society pledge $100.00 toward Foreign and Medical Missions.

That the Society pledge $50.00 toward Porto Rico Work.

That the Society pledge $300.00 toward Home Missions with the understanding that it be held in trust for a Field Missionary for this territory.

That the Society insert a brief report in the Minutes of Synod and also in the Mission Worker.

That the Society encourage the sending of all moneys direct to its Treasurer without asking credit on the apportionment.

The invitation to hold the next Convention at Fargo was accepted.

The offerings taken at the Convention amounted to $82.09.

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows:

President—Mrs. L. F. Gruber, 2910 Lyndale Ave. N., Minneapolis.

Vice-President—Mrs. A. Schwend, 1504 Eleventh Ave. N., Minneapolis.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. L. B. Deck, 3012 Twenty-ninth Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. Sander, Lindstrom, Minnesota.

Treasurer—Mrs. S. Scott, 818 Watson Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota.

MRS. L. F. GRUBER,
Recording Secretary.

APPENDIX.

Plan for Providing a Fund in support of Superannuated Ministers and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Ministers in the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

1. The NAME of this fund shall be THE MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AND OPPHANS' FUND OF THE ENGLISH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST.

2. This fund shall be sustained by the annual contributions of pastors and congregations, by private donations and by bequests.

3. Every pastor of the Synod shall pay into this fund, each year before closing of the Treasurer's books, previous to the meeting of Synod, a sum amounting to one-half of one per cent (½%) of his salary which shall include a reasonable rent of the parsonage, if one is provided by the congregation. It is further provided that in case his congregation refuses to pay its assessment into the fund he shall pay one per cent (1%) of his salary as provided in Rule 14.

4. Each congregation shall pay at the rate of one per cent (1%) of its annual income for current expenses,* which amount shall be added to its annual budget and be paid into the fund each year before the closing of the Treasurer's books, previous to the meeting of Synod. The contribution to this fund shall be regarded an obligation just as binding as paying the salary of the pastor, and the half rate granted the pastor is conditional upon the prompt payment of this assessment by the congregation.

5. Private donations by direct gifts, or legacies may be made to the Treasurer at any time, and will be gratefully acknowledged.

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* By current expenses is meant, all monies paid out for salaries (pastor, organist, choir, janitor, etc.), fuel, light, taxes, and all necessary expenses of the congregation. It does not include interest on mortgages, etc.

THE BOARD.

6. A Board composed of five members shall have control of the fund. The members of this board shall be elected by the Synod to serve for three years, one member of the first board being elected for one year, two for two years, and two for three years, and their successors for three years, any member of the board being eligible for re-election.

7. In case of a vacancy occurring in the board during the year, the remaining members shall have power to fill the same until the next meeting of the Synod.

8. The board shall elect its own officers and shall keep a strict account of all moneys received and invested and of all benefits paid, and shall render a full report to the Synod at each annual convention.

9. The Treasurer of the Board shall give a bond to the Synod in such amount as it may from time to time fix for the faithful discharge of his duties and the accounting of all money and securities coming into his hands The cost of procuring such bond shall be borne by the Synod.

10. The board shall receive and invest all the moneys contributed for this fund and administer the same as the Synod may direct. Unless otherwise ordered by Synod, it shall fix the amount of benefit to be paid in each case, and shall pay the same to the beneficiary as provided for in Rules 12 and 13.

11. No aid shall be rendered from this fund until the fund shall reach ten thousand dollars ($10,000), but in case of special need the board may request a special contribution from the congregations. It is further provided that the principal, ten thousand dollars ($10,000), shall not be used except as a perpetual investment for the fund.

BENEFICIARIES.

12. Any minister of the Synod becoming superannuated or disabled and incapable for pastoral work or teaching, shall receive such amount annually (to be paid in quarterly installments) as the board, according to the circumstances and the amount in the fund may justify, or as the Synod may have designated.

13. A minister's widow shall receive a benefit from the fund as long as she remains a widow, if in the judgment of the board it be deemed necessary. Should she marry again the said aid shall cease. Should she die leaving orphan children, the amount of support to be rendered each child shall be determined by the board according to their needs, but all such benefits shall cease upon the sixteenth birthday of each child, or sooner at the discretion of the board.

14. A minister of the Synod, not a regular pastor of a congregation but engaged in the service of the Church, shall enjoy the benefit of the fund provided he pays annually one per cent (1%) of his salary into the fund, unless for some sufficient reasons Synod make him a special rate.

15. Should a minister who has contributed to the fund for three (3) years, move out of the Synod, he may continue to enjoy the benefits of the fund by contributing annually to the fund such an amount as in the judgment of the board shall be equitable and just both to the Synod and to the beneficiary, provided he remains in the active work of the ministry, and in good standing in some synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

16. Any minister relinquishing the active ministry to engage in purely secular work shall be excluded from the benefits of the fund, as it is intended for those only who give their entire time and strength to the service of the Church.

17. Every minister and congregation applying for membership in the Synod shall be *notified by the president of the Synod* of the rules and provisions made for the aid of the pastors, and their widows and orphans.

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